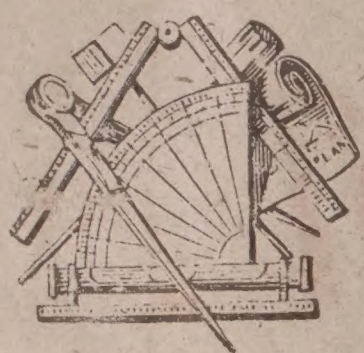


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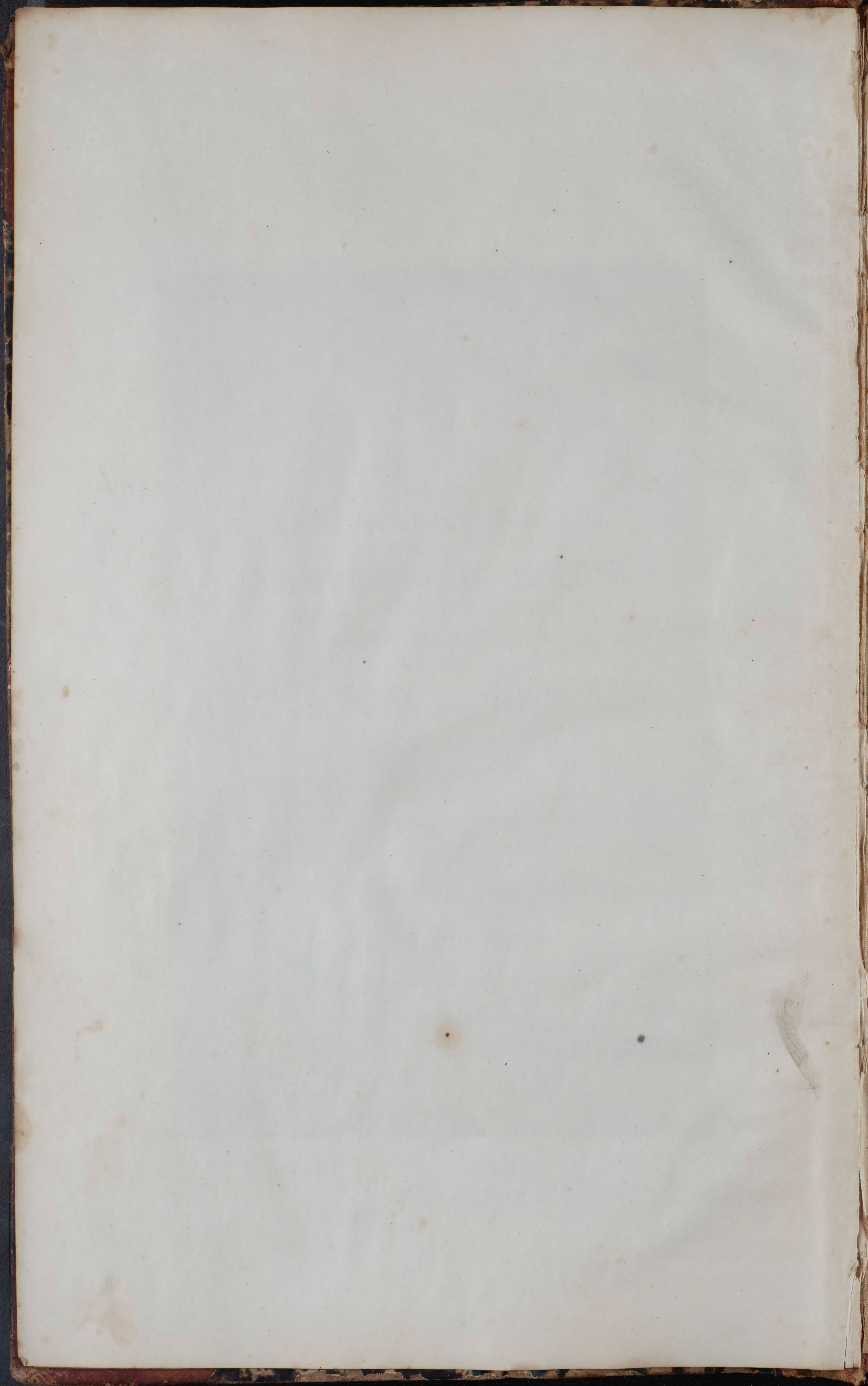
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6. Bark Islander  
July 25<sup>th</sup> / 1871











Master

Remarks on board Bark Islander J. C. Hamlin

Thursday July 25<sup>th</sup> 1871

At 11 A.M. the good Bark Islander left Gabers Wharf at tow of Steamer Helen Augusta bound on a whale voyage. Wind strong from NE and stormy. The Steamer took us but a short distance set Topsails Gibbs and Courses. At 2 P.M. took Fly Gibb and double reefed the Topsails soon after hauled up the Courses and backed the Main Topsail. At 2 1/2 P.M. called all hands aft. Their names were called all answered except John McKenna, Robt. Crookshanks, Francis Ashbury, and Antone Joseph. Antone Cantit and Herbert Pearce came on board just as the Ship was leaving the wharf. At 3 P.M. the Pilot left the Ship as did several others who came down the Bay for the pleasure. It was very stormy and rugged so I think <sup>they were some</sup> they disappointed. As soon as they were well off kept the Ship to SW stowed Anchors furled Course and Gibb. At 5 P.M. Chow. Wateties and made ready for the night. Winds same no rain and so continued until midnight at which time I commenced

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> 1871 the first nautical day. Winds about the same & heavy sea running took in Fly Topsail. Several Sea Sick ones and so ended this day of 12 Hours.



Remarks on board Bark Islander of C Hambley <sup>Master</sup>

Thursday July 27<sup>th</sup> 1871

Com with strong Gale from N.E. at 2 PM wind hauled to the S and continued so until about 4 PM when it commenced to gradually haul to the S.W. and commenced to moderate. Employed at Coiling lines M.P. fine weather set the 4<sup>th</sup> Topsail L.P. Strong Gale from S.W. took in 4<sup>th</sup> Topsail saw Black fish, Hands Employed at fitting Boats, Lat 39° 35' N

Friday July 28<sup>th</sup> 1871

Wind S.W. and more moderate Ship heading to by N all hands employed at fitting Boats Two Men Sick one with colic and Typhoid the other with a sore jaw M.P. very light S.W. winds and good weather set all sail L.P. foggy Hands employed at various jobs about Ship No Obs

Saturday July 29<sup>th</sup> 1871

Thick foggy weather saw some Grampuses M.P. and L.P. same ~~Lat~~ ~~Lat~~ No Obs

Sunday

~~Lat~~ July 30<sup>th</sup>

Com with moderate N.E. winds and foggy weather. Hauling off several sail in sight. Saw 3 Milk M.P. Calm and foggy L.P. light variable air and some fog Spoke the Steamer St. Louis of New York Lat 39° 00' N Long 74° 11' W



Remarks on board Bark Island

Monday July 31<sup>st</sup> 1871

Commences with light variable winds and fine weather  
Course S by W several Sail in sight  
Saw Fin Backs and Porpoises M.P. Calm  
L.P. light S by W winds and very fine  
weather Steering S.E. saw Fin Backs  
sent down the 4 Topsail Foot Ropes to  
to overhaul

Lat 38.40 N  
Long 73.15 E

Tuesday Aug 1<sup>st</sup> 1871

Commences with light  
S.W. winds and very fine weather  
Steering S.E. saw plenty Black fish  
called all hands lowered four Boats  
and gave chase for two hours but  
had no success at Sunset took in light  
sails and headed to S.E. during the night  
At 9 A.M. lowered three Boats and went  
to some whales that we saw at a distance  
proved to Square Headed Grampuses at  
Midday boats came on board weather fine

Wednesday Aug 2<sup>nd</sup> 1871 } Lat 38.32 N  
Long 73.10 W

Commences with light  
S.W. winds and fine weather At 1 P.M.  
tacked to the W. M.L. at 4 tacked again  
caught two Porpoises. Several Sail in  
sight M.P. light variable winds and  
some rain L.P. Calm saw Blackfish  
lowered four boats caught one small  
one

Lat 38.10 N  
Long 72.10 W



John C. Hamblen Master

Thursday Aug 30th 1871

Commenced with fine weather and light S.E. wind ship heading S.E. several sailing boats and one Steamer in sight M.P. and L.P. Calm Lat 37 34 N

Long 133 24 W

Friday Aug 31st 1871

Commenced with light variable air and calm At 2 P.M. light breeze set in from S.E. ship heading S.S.E. At 5 P.M. raised a school of Sperm Whales lowered four Boats and gave chase At sunset struck and killed two small ones At 8 P.M. took the last one to the ship made every thing get Supper and set the water M.P. light S.W. wind same weather at 4.20 A.M. called all hands rose falls and commenced cutting At 6 A.M. finished cutting got Breakfast Made all sail wind increasing Lat 37 20 N

Long 13 00 W

Sat Aug 31st 1871

Came with strong S.W. wind and good weather At 2 P.M. took Light sails off At 6 took in the Gilt and Spanker and double reefed the Topsails At sunset commenced to hail M.P. and L.P. winds and weather same Employed at hauling the whale Caught one first ship took the last four hours of this day were in a rough sea Lat 37 34 N

Long 12 54 W



Bemarks on board of Bark

Sunday Aug 6<sup>th</sup> 1871.

Commences with strong S.W. winds and a rugged sea at 4 P.M. took ship so the I employed at boiling at 1 1/2 finished sailing and took on the Top sail at daylight cleared up and washed ship at 8 A.M. kept the ship off E.N.E. turned up out of Top sails and set M & G. Sail strong S.W. wind with some rain  
No Obs

Monday Aug 7<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with a moderate S.W. wind and overcast rainy weather saw Black fish M.P. light S.W. wind and foggy S.P. Calm all hands washing their clothes  
Lat 37.4.17

Tuesday Aug 8<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with very light southerly winds and overcast weather. Misting E.N.E. saw Porpoises M.P. moderate S.W. winds and hazy S.P. strong S.W. winds and hazy Misting E.N.E. with all drawing sail out  
Lat 38.2.17

Wednesday Aug 9<sup>th</sup> 1871

Strong S.W. winds and very rough weather. Misting E.N.E. M.P. and S.P. strong briskly Gale with rain Misting S.W. a heavy sea running  
Lat 39.25 N  
Long 65.32 W



Blanche John C. Hambleton Master

Thursday Aug 10<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commenced with strong  
westerly winds and rainy weather.  
Starting E by S. at 4 P.M. began to moderate  
at sunset quite good weather saw Porpoises  
M.P. winds and weather same at  
11 A.M. raised sperm whales going to  
the S.E. quick followed with ship until  
midday Boats all ready Lat 39.38 N  
Long 62.20 W

Friday Aug 11<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commenced with  
strong westerly winds and good weather  
at 12 1/2 P.M. lowered three Boats and  
gave chase to the whale turned hauler  
to N.W. at 3 P.M. had a large whale  
missed about fifteen minutes after  
sunset struck and soon killed a  
sperm whale at 8 P.M. took him along  
side put the blubber & mince and got  
supper there were but a few whales and  
they were very shy M.P. strong N.W.  
winds employed at trucking out and getting  
ready to take the whale on board at 10 P.M.  
A.M. finished cutting wind light and  
very breezy set the Y. Topsail and 7 sail  
and kept to the S.E. Lat 39.35 N  
Long 61.25 W



Remarks on board Bark Islander

Sat Aug 12<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commenced with strong S.W. winds and very rapid starting S.E. Commenced to boil M.P. and S.P. more moderate. Employed at boiling and our whale. Lat 38° 43' N Long 58° 46' W

Sunday Aug 13<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commenced with moderate S.W. winds and good weather. Starting E.N.E. at 4 P.M. wind hauled to the North and moderated to a light breeze at dusk set back on all sail except a double reefed Main Top-sail and Foresail. To day have been working new rigging to get the old for bit lashings. At 10 1/2 P.M. finished boiling S.P. moderate breeze and hazy. Ship heading to N Lat 39° 41' N

Monday Aug 14<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commenced with hazy weather and increasing westerly winds at sunrise strong westerly squalls and still hazy. Backed to the S.W. and took on all sail except double reefed Top-sail and Gaff. These four men in each watch to stow the Mast Heads forward. M.P. more moderate S.P. light. Variable winds and fine weather employed at stowing all bottom decks. Then stowed about six tons of ballast. Lat 40° 09' N



John C. Hamlin Master

Tuesday Aug 13<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commenced with light Easterly winds and very fair weather. Standing by S. at 4<sup>th</sup> PM finished stowing oil (about 58 Mds) last ducks at sunset shortened sail for the night. M.P. and L.P. fresh N.E. wind and good weather washed the ship and gave the men a chance to wash the

Lat 38-20 N

Wednesday Aug 16<sup>th</sup> 1871

Long 56-32 W

Commenced with moderate N.E. winds and good weather at 2<sup>4</sup> shifted to the wind and made E.S.E. M.P. same L.P. calm. Employed at overhauling Cutting Blocks and repairing Main Boat

Lat 38-45 N

Long 54-00 W

Thursday Aug 17<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commenced with no wind and good weather at 3 PM strong breeze from the N.E. took in light sails. Ship heading E.S.E. saw one sail standing South. M.P. same L.P. double reefed the Top sails

Lat 38-25 N

Long 52-05 W

Friday Aug 18<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commenced with strong N.E. winds and good weather. Ship heading E.S.E. Rigg'd out our large cutting stage at 2 PM which hauled to the N. kept the ship Ely! M.P. and L.P. strong N.E. winds and good weather. Standing by S.

Lat 38-47 N

Long 50-10 W



Remarks on board Bark

Sat Aug 19<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came with strong N.W. winds and good weather during E.S. saw a large stick of lumber M.P. moderate S.W. strong westerly winds and good weather. During E.S.

Lat 38 47 N

Sunday Aug 20<sup>th</sup> 1871 Long 44 35 W

Commenced with strong westerly winds and good weather during E.S. & M.P. winds variable and squally S.W. strong S.W. wind good weather. During E.M. & saw or saw

Lat 38 49 N

Monday Aug 21<sup>st</sup> 1871 Long 41 36 W

Came with strong S.W. winds and good weather during E.M. & at sunset took in all sail except clewls reefed topsails and came on the star tack heading S.S.E. M.P. strong W.W. winds S.W. squally at 11 A.M. wind suddenly hauled to N.E. rained about one hour and cleared off fine No obs

Tuesday Aug 22<sup>nd</sup> 1871

Came with moderate N.E. winds and fine weather Ship tacked during E.S.E. at sunset tacked to N.W. and shortened sail for the night M.P. Calm at 9 A.M. breezed up from N.W. kept the ship N.W. by E. and so ended

Lat 35 37 S

Long 40 28 W



Islander John C. Hamilton Master

Wednesday Aug 23<sup>rd</sup> 1891

Commences with moderate breeze from N.W. and good weather saw two Whale Barks to windward supposed one to be the Collie at 4 P.M. wind hauled to S.W. <sup>first</sup> took in sail to double reefed topsails and tuffet to the wind heading N.W. Rove a new 4-4 sail brace M.P. strong N.E. winds S.P. strong Northerly winds and foggy

Lat 38 10 N

Thursday Aug 24<sup>th</sup> 1891

Long 39 42 W

Commences with strong Northerly winds and very rugged sea and sail to windward M.P. wind N.E. and squally S.P. wind same weather good

Lat 40 41 N

Friday Aug 25<sup>th</sup> 1891

Commences with moderate N.E. winds and good weather steering S.W. by S. saw one sail M.P. light variable winds S.P. light N.E. winds and very fine weather Ship heading N.W.

Lat 40 20 N

Sat Aug 26<sup>th</sup> 1891

Long 37 42 W

Commences with fine weather and light Easterly winds two sail in sight M.P. Calm S.P. moderate Easterly winds and fine weather saw three sail

No obs



Remarks on Land Bark

Sunday Aug 27<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with moderate Easterly winds and squally weather at 2 PM wind hauled to S.W. and hauled up Breeze out water and killed a Pig M.P. strong bristly winds and squally L.P. strong bristly Gale with squalls at 10 PM wind hauled to N.E. and cleared off

Lat 41.15 N

Monday Aug 28<sup>th</sup> 1871

Long 39 20 W

Commences with strong Gales from N.E. and very rugged Ship heaving E.S.E. Breeze out and started a pack of Bruc M.P. and L.P. more moderate at 11 AM wind hauled to the westward and hauled up strong took on light Sails

Lat 41.50 N

Tuesday Aug 29<sup>th</sup> 1871

Long 39 22 W

Commences with strong bristly Gales and very rugged Double up the Top Sails took M.S. Lull and Openly Exchanged longitudes with Ship Kate Group of St John N.B. 43 miles difference in longitude M.P. Hoisting a Gole took to a double reefed M. Top Sail and stem and L.P. Squally Rainy and disagreeable at Midday wind hauled to N.W. and cleared off. not moderating No Obs



Islander John C. Hamilton Master

Wednesday Aug 30<sup>th</sup> 1891

Commenced with  
a gale from N.E. Sea ruffled at Sun-  
set moderated a little. Saw a Bark heading  
to the E. S. E. M.P. more moderate made  
some sail S.W. moderate N.E. winds and  
good weather. Steering S.W. Lat 41.24 N  
Long 38.24 W

Thursday Aug 31<sup>st</sup> 1891

Commenced with  
moderate northerly winds and good weather  
Steering S.W. employed at stripping  
blocks M.P. wind and weather some S.W.  
light N.E. winds and very fine weather  
Steering S.W. at 12 M raised a large  
body of sperm whales at 8 lowered four  
Boats and gave chase missed one  
9th whale and struck and got a 6th  
one took him along side got up cutting  
bale and got dinner two Boats still chasing  
Lat 40.17 N

Friday Sept 1<sup>st</sup> 1891

Commenced with  
light N.E. winds and very fine weather  
Saw more sperm whales lowered the two  
boats that were on the cranes and got  
two small whales took one in whole at  
sunset all Boats on the cranes got  
supper set watches &c. M.P. fine at  
daylight commenced to cut at 8 A.M.  
saw some whales going very quick supposed  
them to be sperm whales at 11 finished  
cutting and made sail



# Remarks on board Bark

Sat Sept 2<sup>nd</sup> 1871

Commenced with light N.E. winds and fine weather. Ship heading E.S.E. saw on water employed at taking care of the Blubber at 4 1/2 commenced to boil M.P. and L.P. calm. Saw Breaches about 10 miles distant. Plenty Blackfish about Lat 30 47' N. Long 38 32' W.

Sunday Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> 1871

Calm clear weather employed at boiling at sunset lowered two Boats for Blackfish got none M.P. and L.P. Calm Lat 41 10' N.

Monday Sept 4<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commenced with clear calm weather at 2 P.M. commenced sailing and commenced to blow ducks. At 3 raised a large body of sperm whales coming toward the Ship lowered four boats and put off in chase struck and killed three at sunset took them along side got supper and set the hatch.

M.P. light westerly winds and fine daylight called all hands and commenced to cut at 8 45 A.M. finished cutting in made sail wind increasing at 11 o'clock raised a school of small whales went all hands to dinner at 12 o'clock Lat 41 40' N.



Islander John C Hamden Master

Monday Sept 5th 1891

Strong Easterly wind  
and surge at 1 PM lowered the boats  
and gave chase to the whales struck  
and got a small one took him to the  
Ship and cut him in, made sail and  
steed along. At 4 1/2 PM lowered the  
boats for sperm whales got one at  
sunset took him along side put two  
fluke chains on him and took small  
sail, weather threatening, at 8 commenced  
to boil M.P. strong winds and squally  
at daylight called all hands got up cutting  
gear at 4 1/2 AM commenced to cut weather  
squally and a rugged sea at midday finished  
cutting

Lat 41.29 N

Tuesday Sept 6th 1891

Commenced with good  
weather, at 1 PM wind hauled to N.E. and  
breezed up all hands busy taking care of  
Hubber R. M.P. Calm to N. very light  
Easterly winds and fine weather made all  
sail Capt boarded the English Ship Celestial  
Esperance from Calcutta for Durado. Hamden  
been Calpersing and getting ready to start out

Lat 41.27 N

Long 39.10 W



# Remarks on board Bark

Thursday Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 1811

Commenced with  
very light westerly winds and fine  
weather Employed at boiling and  
stowing down Oil M.P. and L.P.  
Calm, Boiling and stowing Lat 41 20 N

Friday Sept 8<sup>th</sup> 1811

Commenced with  
light S.W. winds and best of weather  
at 2 PM finished Boiling All hands  
employed at stowing Oil. Took in  
the Row Boat and put out another  
M.P. light S.W. winds and fine weather  
At daylight 15 sail in sight. At 10  
AM since I sprang 4 whales lowered  
4 boats and got two of them. At  
midday took them to the ship and  
soon got Dinner and commenced  
to cook. No loss

Sat Sept 9<sup>th</sup> 1811

Commenced  
with moderate S.W. winds  
and good weather at 2 PM finished  
cutting snuff all sail and stowed  
East M.P. and L.P. stowed S.W.  
winds and good weather Storing  
various course trying to find whale

Lat 41 00 N

Long 37 21 W



Blanc John C Hamblen Master

Sunday Sept 10<sup>th</sup> 1811

Commences with strong S.W. winds and good weather making different courses looking head for a head. M.P. strong winds and squally finished sailing took in the fore top sail S.P. a moderate Gale from S. Ship lying under storm sails  
Lat 40.33 N

Monday Sept 11<sup>th</sup> 1811

Commences with a moderate Gale from S.W. at 2 P.M. set in squally with much rain Gale moderated some M.P. and S.P. Raining squally shifting weather  
No 66

Tuesday Sept 12<sup>th</sup> 1811

Commences with light variable winds with plenty rain M.P. and S.P. same at midday cloud up

Wednesday Sept 13<sup>th</sup> 1811

Long 36 05 W  
Commences with clear calm weather saw plenty Porpoises M.P. same. At 10 1/2 A.M. a light breeze sprang up from S.W. at midday weather fine wind increasing. Employed at getting rigging  
Lat 40 30 N  
Long 35, 10 W



Remarks on board Bark

Thursday Sept 14<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commenced with moderate S.W. winds and good weather. Ship heading S.E. M.P. strong S.W. winds and good weather. S.P. winds same and sunny. Lat 40.30 N

Friday Sept 15<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commenced with strong S.W. winds with squalls of rain. strong S.E. at 3 1/2 P.M. saw the Island of Cerro Lasine 1 mile 60 miles M.P. and S.P. wind and weather same. At daylight saw the Islands of Pic Payal and St George

Sat Sept 16<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commenced with strong S.W. winds and overcast weather at Sunset. Payal bearing S 10 miles east Spoke Bark Canoe for four months out with 60 lbs sperm oil M.P. and S.P. variable winds and good weather. Copied some oil and got it ready to land. Spoke bark. Covered two months out with 20 lbs sperm oil. At midday Payal bearing S 10 miles east.



Islander John C. Hamilton Master

Sunday Sept 17<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commenced with moderate S.W. winds and overcast weather. Took on board 100 Mr. Shucks from the Comber. At Sunset weather looking threatening. M.P. strong W. winds and squally. L.P. light S.W. winds and calm. At Midday Fog Island S.W. 12 miles dist.

Monday Sept 18<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commenced with light airs from S.W. and were increased to a strong breeze. At Sunset the wind about the same distance from the ship. Wind moderated to light variable airs. M.P. strong westerly winds and squally weather. The ship through the passage between Fog and Poco to the south of Fog. At daylight got up Jackel and commenced to hoist her on deck at 6 1/2 kept the ship off for Fog. At 8 1/2 Capt went on shore leaving the ship to lie off and on. Got up the main and sent them to the anchors. At Midday Capt came on board with a Pilot named

Tuesday Sept 19<sup>th</sup> 1871

Strong very dry, breezy winds and squally. Pilot took charge and commenced to work the ship to the anchorage. At 4:30 P.M. let go the Port anchor on 20 fathom of waste gave us 60 fathom of Chain furled sails & at 5 Capt and family went ashore where I remained. M.P. blowing hard with squally weather. Wind moderated somewhat at 8 P.M. at 10

Off Fogal



Remarks on board Bark

Wednesday Sept 20th 1871

At Fagat

Commenced with good weather and strong winds sent 243.44 for the mail of 10 p.m. but on shore took on board some accounts cleared up & M.P. and L.P. winds and weather same

Thursday Sept 21st 1871

Commenced with strong N.W. winds and clear weather at 2.30 P.M. got the Bark under weigh and stood out of Fagat Harbour to the S.W. at sunset were ship to N Capt H and family on shore M.P. winds and weather same L.P. equally

Friday Sept 22nd 1871

Com with strong West winds and good weather at 12 p.m. were ship and landed N.W. wind soon hauls six points to the N. but have been trying hard to get on and get the Capt but cannot do it this afternoon M.P. strong N.W. winds and good weather S.P. same looking ship up to the town several ships in sight at midday off the high bluff close to the Harbour wind strong variable and squally



Islander John C Hamilton Master

Sat Sept 23<sup>rd</sup> 1871

(Two Portuguese)  
(Many on board)  
Commences with strong  
westerly winds with occasional squalls  
Ship lying off and on at 4 P.M. Capt and  
family came on board. Squared yards and  
stood out to sea M.P. light N.W. and  
S.P. fine weather S.P. variable winds and  
Squally Employed at washing ship  
Rolls

Sunday Sept 24<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with strong  
S.W. winds with squalls of wind and  
Rain took in light sails and steeple  
sailed topsails Course N.W. saw one ship  
steering west N.W. M.P. wind and weather  
same S.P. more moderate made some sail

Lat 37 59 N

Monday Sept 25<sup>th</sup> 1871

Long 30 00 W

Commences with moderate  
N.W. winds and good weather made all sail  
M.P. moderate westerly winds at daylight  
wind increasing at 9 A.M. clouds lifted  
the topsail and so on

Lat 38 30 N

Long 29 25 W

Tuesday Sept 26<sup>th</sup> 1871

Comes with strong westerly  
winds and overcast weather Ship heaving  
N.W. saw Porpoises M.P. more moderate  
at 8 A.M. saw a large breach made all  
sail but saw nothing more weather worsened  
and foggy Handed employed at various jobs  
Course N.W.

Lat 38 50 N



Remarks on board Bark

Tuesday Sept 27<sup>th</sup> / 87

Commenced with moderate westerly winds and overcast weather Ship heading N.N.W. M.P. same S.P. wind hauled to N.W. tacked ship and made W. Course to N.W. Squall of Rain Lat 40.45 N

Wednesday Sept 28<sup>th</sup> / 87

Long 34.28 W Commenced with strong northerly winds and overcast weather Course to N.W. M.P. wind hauled to the North S.P. wind N.E. and more moderate made some sail saw a sail aback to the E

Lat 39.49 N  
Friday Sept 29<sup>th</sup> / 87

Long 36.33 W Commenced with light N.E. winds and fine weather, Steering N.W. saw Helms M.P. same S.P. light variable air and calms Ship cruising No Ob.

Sat Sept 30<sup>th</sup> / 87

Commenced with light N.W. winds and fine weather Employed at setting up head gear Carpenter repairing a boat M.P. wind increasing S.P. strong westerly winds and hazy saw one Yacht and two sail aback to the Eastward

Lat 40.37 N

Long 39.00 W



Steamer John C. Hamblen Master

Sunday Oct 1<sup>st</sup> 1871

Commences with strong  
westerly winds Sea boisterous Weather  
b. m. Ship cruising M.P. and L.P. wind  
and weather same saw two hilt bound Castor

Lat 40 31 N

Monday Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> 1871

Long 38 32 W

Commences with strong  
westerly winds and hazy weather Ship heading  
to the S.E. at 5 P.M. saw a breach about  
five miles out ran for it but saw it no more  
M.P. and L.P. wind and weather same

Lat 40 32 N

Tuesday Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> 1871

Long 38 04 W

Commences with strong  
westerly winds and hazy weather Ship  
cruising M.P. same L.P. thick fog wind  
to N.W. and clear off saw nothing

Wednesday Oct 4<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with moderate  
N.W. winds and good weather Ship heading  
to S.E. M.P. calm L.P. light westerly wind and fine  
weather. Steering S.E. saw no whales

Thursday Oct 5<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with light westerly  
winds and fine weather. Employed at sailing  
veggins M.P. and L.P. wind and weather  
same

Lat 37 30 N

Long 36 30 W



Remarks on board Bark

Sunday Oct 6<sup>th</sup> 1871

Comes with light  
westerly winds and best of weather  
Ship arriving nothing to be seen  
M.P. & P. same Lat 36.17 N

Sat Oct 7<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with moderate  
westerly winds and squalls with rain  
see Remarks Ship arriving At midnight  
sail hauled to N N W and increased L.P.  
strong N N W winds, steering E N E  
Lat 37.00 N

Sunday Oct 8<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with  
a moderate Gale from N N W At Sunset  
took in to a close reefed M.S. sail and  
Yousail One sail in sight bound to N E  
M.P. and L.P. wind and weather same  
Lat 37.36 N

Monday Oct 9<sup>th</sup> 1871

Long 33.30 W  
Comes with a Gale  
of wind from the Northward Ship  
E N E M.P. same L.P. moderate  
saw much oil present sail  
had occasional squalls of Rain  
Lat 37.34 N



Islander John C Hamblin Master

Tuesday Oct 10<sup>th</sup> / 878

Commenced with strong  
winds from NW with occasional squalls  
of rain. Ship heading E. M.P. more  
moderate set topsails and courses at  
10 AM. Hoisting strong from N.W. dead  
upped the topsails took in the mainsail  
At 11 saw the Island of Flores bearing  
N.E. dist 30 miles

Wednesday Oct 11<sup>th</sup> / 878

Commenced with  
a moderate Gale of winds from  
N.W. At 4 PM even ship reduced the  
Ship lying under storm sails Flores  
bearing N.E. 15 miles dist M.P. same  
W.P. squally but more moderate

Thursday Oct 12<sup>th</sup> / 878

Commenced with strong  
N.W. winds and squally At 4 PM the  
Town of Santa Cruz 3 miles dist Spoke Boat  
Benjamin Cummings four months out  
with no oil M.P. wind and weather same  
W.P. more moderate Ship lying off and on the  
Town of Lige, At 12 Capt. went on shore to  
buy recruits Two men left the boat and  
could not be found supposed to have  
deserted

off Flores



# Remarks on board Bark

Friday Oct 13<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with moderate N.W. winds and good weather employed at getting off recruits at Sunset Capt came on board having finished getting recruits. Three men came on board to go as green hands J.P. Smith and Antoine Candelio the two missing men deserted. At Midnight bed lay to S.E. since N.W. strong and squally. L.P. more moderate. At Whidbey made the Island of Fayal bearing S.E. 1/2 S. Lat 38 33 N

Sat Oct 14<sup>th</sup> 1871

Moderate N.W. wind and good weather Fayal at Sunset bearing S.E. 1/2 E 30 miles dist. M.P. commenced weather came L.P. light southerly wind and fine weather Ship lying off and on at Fayal Capt on Shore

Sunday Oct 15<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with light southerly winds and good weather at Sunset Capt came on board also two passengers to go to Brava. Made all sail and stood to sea M.P. light variable winds and fine weather L.P. strong southerly winds and squally. Spoke Bark Cello

Lat 38.10 N

Long 37 52 W

Off Fayal



Islander John C Hamilton Master

Monday Oct 16<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commenced with strong  
Northerly winds and good weather  
Staring S by E. Saw Blackfish M.P.  
same L.P. more moderate, Staring S

Lat 34.26 N

Tuesday Oct 17<sup>th</sup> 1871

Strong 34.30 N

Commenced with moderate  
Northerly winds and good weather Staring  
S, M.P. same L.P. light N.W. wind

Lat 33.47 N

Wednesday Oct 18<sup>th</sup> 1871

Light N.W. winds and  
best of weather Staring S by E M.P. and  
L.P. wind and weather same Saw one sail  
bound to westward

Lat 33.03 N

Thursday Oct 19<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commenced with light  
N.W. winds and best of weather Staring S by  
W by W. Hands employed at various jobs about  
Ship M.P. same L.P. wind hauled to N, weather  
fine Sent down the Mainsail for repairs

Lat 30.10 N

Friday Oct 20<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commenced with light Northerly  
winds and squally at 3 P.M. wind hauled to  
N.E. and increased, Staring S by W. finished  
repairing and sent the Mainsail M.P. and  
L.P. moderate N.E. winds and good weather  
course same saw two sail bound to  
westward

Lat 27.22 N



# Remarks on Board Bark

Sat Oct 21<sup>st</sup> 1871

Commences with strong whole sail winds from NE and good weather. Employed at masting the Rigger and other jobs about ship. M.P. and L.P. strong NE winds with squalls. Strong S.W.

Lat 23.56 N

Long 25.10 W

Sunday Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> 1871

Strong NE winds with occasional squalls. Strong S.W. Employed at masting the Main Rigging. M.P. and L.P. wind East weather fine.

Lat 20 40 N

Monday Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> 1871

Comes with moderate East winds and good weather. Strong S.W. M.P. and L.P. wind from S.E. Saw one sail bound to S.W.

Lat 17 51 N

Tuesday Oct 24<sup>th</sup> 1871

Long 26.18 W

Commences with moderate S.E. winds and good weather. At 4 P.M. wind hauled to E. Ship S.E. M.P. and L.P. wind and weather same. Saw one sail bound to the S.

Lat 15 37 N



Islander John C. Hamblen Master

Wednesday Oct 25th 1871

Come with moderate S.E. breeze and fine weather At 4th PM saw the Island of Yogo bearing S.E. by S. At 5 saw the Island of Brava bearing S.E. M.P. wind and weather same L.P. lying off and on at Brava Capt on shore. Landed our Passengers

Thursday Oct 26th 1871

Come with moderate Easterly wind and good weather At sunset Capt came on board Eight of our crew missing spoke Johnes Ellen Reisman M.P. and L.P. wind and weather same L.P. ship lying off and on Capt on shore. Barks Helen <sup>and</sup> Callie and John Ellen Rodman also off and on

Friday Oct 27th 1871

Come with strong N.E. Trade and good weather Capt on shore finds that the six missing men and two Boatmen have deserted At sunset Capt came on board with all men shipped to take their places At 11 PM Made all sail and started S. M.P. Calm L.P. moderate. Chooed boat crew and watches and regulated thing as well as possible Took Skipper Macey from forward as Boatmen on board Names of deserters are Chas. Grant Manuel Barbero B. Hewitt, H. Allen, Byron Shippe, Manuel Nielsen, Erasmus Mallison and Calvin Hopkins Lat 14.21.11

off Brava



# Remarks on board Bark

Sat Oct 28<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commenced with strong N.E. breeze and good weather. During I saw Blackfish M.P. and L.P. wind and weather same. Lat 11.26 N

Sunday Oct 29<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commenced with strong N.E. breeze and good weather. During I by E at Sunset squally saw Blackfish. At Sunset shortened sail and luffed to the wind heading to the Eastward. M.P. windy L.P. calm with occasional squalls. Lowered Boats for Blackfish & got nothing in sight.

Monday Oct 30<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commenced with Rainy squally bad weather. Course M. to M.P. light N.E. winds and good weather. L.P. squally. Course by to

Tuesday Oct 31<sup>st</sup> 1871

Calm with light southerly winds and cloudy weather. Ship working as fast as possible. M.P. Calm L.P. light S.E. winds and good weather. saw Porpoises and fish. Lat 9.33 N



Bladder John C Hamilton Master

Wednesday Nov 1<sup>st</sup> 1871

Commences with light  
S.E. winds and fine weather Spoke Port  
Helen Mar. M.P. wind same L.P. wind  
from E.S.E. employed at picking over Potatoes  
M.P. wind and weather same L.P. light S.E.  
winds and good weather Ship heading S.W.  
Employed at cooping Provisions Lat 5.30 N

Thursday Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> 1871

Moderate S.E. winds  
and good weather M.P. and L.P. same  
Lat 5.00 N

Friday Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> 1871

Light S.S.E. winds  
and good weather Ship heading S.W.  
M.P. and L.P. light variable winds and squally

Sat Nov 4<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with light  
variable winds with squalls of rain M.P.  
and L.P. light S.S.E. winds and fine  
weather. Sent down the Mizzen Topmast  
Lat 3.13 N

Sunday Nov 5<sup>th</sup> 1871

Long 24.44 W  
Comes with light S.E.  
winds and good weather M.P. and L.P.  
same Ship heading S.W. saw one sail  
bound to the S.W. Lat 1.24 N



# Remarks on board Bark

Monday Nov 6<sup>th</sup> / 1871

Commenced with moderate S S E winds and good weather Ship heading S. W. saw Porpoise M. P. and L. P. wind and weather same sent up the Mizen Topmast with new Backstays

Lat 00.15 S

Long 21.56 W

Tuesday Nov 7<sup>th</sup> / 1871

Moderate S S E winds and good weather saw Black fish M. P. and L. P. same Painted the Least Boat

Lat 2.24 S

Long 28.30 W

Wednesday Nov 8<sup>th</sup> / 1871

Came with fresh S S E winds and good weather Ship heading S. W. was passed by the Ship Pride of the Port of Boston steering to the N W M. P. and L. P. strong S E wind, Course S W saw several ships and one steamer bound to the N E

Lat 5.18 S

Long 27.18 W

Thursday Nov 9<sup>th</sup> / 1871

Came with strong S E winds and fine weather saw Blackfish M. P. and L. P. same Steering S W y S Painted the Leat Boat

Lat 8.23 S



Blunder John C Hamblen Master

Friday Nov 10<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came with strong  
Easterly winds and good weather  
saw one sail bound to M P and L P  
moderate winds from E NE  
Lat 11.03.8

Sat Nov 11<sup>th</sup> 1871

Light E NE winds  
at the commencement of this day. During  
the day I saw Peppers M P and L P  
and weather came out in the Hy Gilt for  
repair Course S by S  
Lat 13.22.8  
Long 32.55.0

Sunday Nov 12<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came with moderate  
NE winds and fine weather finished  
repairing and sent the Hy Gilt M P and  
L P much the same  
Lat 14.51.5

Monday Nov 13<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commenced light NE  
winds with occasional squalls of rain saw  
three sail bound to the NE M P and L P  
light variable winds and overcast saw  
several vessels bound to the N the CB

Tuesday Nov 13<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commenced with light  
Northerly winds and good weather During  
the day M P and L P came saw one sail  
bound to the S  
Lat 17.40.8  
Long 35.23.0



Remarks on board Bark

Wednesday Nov 15<sup>th</sup>/1871

Commences with light northerly winds and good weather M P and L P light variable winds and overcast rainy weather  
No Obs

Thursday Nov 16<sup>th</sup>/1871

Commences with light variable winds and calm with rain saw Porpoises M P and L P calm with some rain

Friday Nov 17<sup>th</sup>/1871

Commences with overcast calm weather saw Porpoises M P and L P light northerly winds  
No Obs

Sat Nov 18<sup>th</sup>/1871

Commences with light easterly winds and good weather during I saw one Sulphur Bottom M P and L P moderate northerly winds and good weather  
Lat 27.30 S

Sunday Nov 19<sup>th</sup>/1871

Commences with moderate NE winds and good weather during I saw M P and L P strong Easterly winds with occasional squalls of rain  
Lat 28.34 S



Islander John C Hamblen Master

Monday Nov 20<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commenced with strong Easterly winds and overcast squally weather. During I, saw one sail bound to the N, M.P. and L.P. wind and weather same saw several sail bound to the Westward Lat 26.34 E

Tuesday Nov 21<sup>st</sup> 1871

Came with strong Easterly winds and good weather at Sunset took in sail and luffed to for the night M.P. wind and weather same L.P. Thunder lightning wind and rain at midday cleared off Lat 27.34 S

Wednesday Nov 22<sup>nd</sup> 1871

Commenced with moderate Easterly winds and good weather Ship cruising M.P. and L.P. same Lat 26.40 S

Thursday Nov 23<sup>rd</sup> 1871

Strong S.E. winds and good weather saw Grampuses M.P. and L.P. same sent down the G.G. sail to repair

Friday Nov 24<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commenced with strong S.E. winds with a rugged sea Saw Hump Backs finished repairing and bent the G.G. sail M.P. and L.P. much the same Lat 26.40 S



# Remarks on board Bark

Sat Nov 25<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with strong  
S E winds and squally sea one sail  
M P and L P strong Easterly winds.  
During S. sent down the fore top  
sail for repairs Lat 29 00 S

Sunday Nov 26<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with  
strong Easterly winds and overcast weather  
finished repairing and bent the fore top sail  
M P and L P same Lat 30.32 S

Monday Nov 27<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with strong  
Easterly winds and squalls at sunset  
increased to a moderate Gale, Carrying  
all prudent sail heading S S E M P strong  
Gale Ship under bare poles Much rain  
L P more moderate made some sail  
Much rain at meridian cleared off  
and moderated made all sail  
Lat 31.40 S

Tuesday Nov 28<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with  
light Easterly winds and good weather  
At sunset calm M P calm and foggy  
L P moderate N W winds and good  
weather During S S E  
Lat 32 33 S



Islander John C Hamilton Master

Wednesday Nov 29th 1871

Commences with  
light N W winds and good weather  
steering S S E Saw one sail bound to the  
Eastward M P winds variable and rainy  
L P strong S S W winds and good weather  
Saw plenty Humpbacks Lat 34.24 S  
Long 36.12 W

Thursday Nov 30th 1871

Commences with  
strong southerly winds and good weather  
saw plenty Humpbacks M P and L P light  
S E winds and fine weather repaired the  
Spanker Humpbacks plenty Lat 34.28 S  
Long 32.40 W

Friday Dec 1st 1871

Commences with light  
S E breezes and dead away calm. Bent a  
new Main Top sail M P same L P light  
westerly winds and fine weather Lat 34.34 S

Sat Dec 2nd 1871

Commences with light  
S W winds and good weather steering S E  
caught a Porpoise M P and L P wind from  
S E Tacked ship to S W

Sunday Dec 3rd 1871

Comes with light S E  
winds and good weather M P and L P  
very light variable winds and fine weather  
Saw Square Headed Grampuses Lat 35.32 S



# Remarks on board Bark

Monday Dec 4<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commenced with good weather and calm M P and L P calm saw a whale five miles distant from Boat and went to him found him to be a Finback

Tuesday Dec 5<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commenced with clear calm weather at sunset a light breeze sprang up from eastward. Morning S E M P and L P light westerly winds and good weather. Turning S E by E

Wednesday Dec 6<sup>th</sup> 1871

Lat 35.39 S

Long 32.15 W

Commenced with increasing westerly winds and overcast weather at sunset wind hauled to S E and squally took in light sails and double reefed fore topsail weather being threatening M P strong S E winds and squally L P mod. moderate from E S E

Thursday Dec 7<sup>th</sup> 1871

Lat 36.36 S

Long 30.36 W

Commenced with moderate E S E winds and good weather. Ship heading S. saw any quantity of Finbacks M P and L P moderate E N E and overcast weather saw one sail wind to the Eastward



Islander John E. Hamilton Master

Friday Dec 8<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with wind from E NE weather fair at sunset took in light sails wind increasing Kimbuck have disappeared. M P and L P. winds from NE weather overcast

Lat 37.58 S

Long 25.42 W

Sat Dec 9<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with fresh N E winds and good weather saw Kimbuck. M P and L P winds same weather fine

Sunday Dec 10<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with light N E winds and fine weather spoke Bark Calico Capt. Lu has seen no whales on this ground. M P same L P strong E NE winds and foggy saw the Calico chasing a Right Whale

Monday Dec 11<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with strong E NE winds with rain and fog at 2 P M lowered three Boats for the same whale that the Calico had been chasing but could not catch him at sunset shortened sail for the night. M P wind same L P strong Gale from N NE and thick fog saw some Kimbuck.



Remarks on board Bark

Tuesday Dec 12<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with strong increasing gales from NNE ship heading E at sunset wore ship to NW Ship lying under storm sails M.P. Hauling heavy L.P. wind hauled to westward and moderated, made all sail and kept ENE saw 3 birds Lat 38,36 S Long 2340 W

Wednesday Dec 13<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with moderate westerly winds and good weather steering ENE one sail in sight M.P. and L.P. wind same weather fine steering ENE saw some pieces of Squid Lat 37,54 S

Thursday Dec 14<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with light NW winds and very fine weather steering ENE spoke Bark Cutler M.P. and L.P. wind and weather same steering ENE Lat 37,03 S

Friday Dec 15<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with light northerly winds and fine weather steering ENE M.P. and L.P. strong NNE winds and foggy No Obs



Islander John C Hamlen Master

Sat Dec 16<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with strong  
Northerly winds and a thick fog  
saw nothing M P and L P same  
saw one sail bound to the E

Sunday Dec 17<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with  
strong Northerly winds and foggy  
weather Ship coming M P and L P  
thick fog kept the S B under short  
sail

Monday Dec 18<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with moderate  
N by winds and foggy weather, Steaming  
S E, M P and L P same

Tuesday Dec 19<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with  
moderate N by winds and thick fog at  
1 1/2 P M saw the top of Tristan Island and  
soon after saw the Breakers ahead and  
to, wore ship and headed off lying aback  
At 4 fog cleared up sent one boat fishing  
and one boat to the settlement. At 5<sup>PM</sup> came  
on board some of the shore people came off  
M P light variable winds and good weather  
L P same sent a raft on shore for water  
Capt and family went on shore at Midday  
Calm



# Remarks on board Bark

Tuesday Dec 20<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with light variable winds and fine weather at 4 1/2 PM Capt and family came on board at 5 took the raft of water along side and hoisted it on board at 7 boats came off shore bringing the recruits at 11 PM finished up all business and kept the ship to the SE M P and L P foggy employed at stowing water

Lat 37 20 S

Wednesday Dec 21<sup>st</sup> 1871

Moderate NW winds and good weather stowing ESE finished stowing washed off by M P and L P wind and weather same steering ESE  
No Obs

Thursday Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> 1871

Commences with moderate NW winds and thick fog saw some Fin backs M.P. light wistly winds L P wind same weather fine

Lat 37.11 S

Long 5.00 W

Lat Dec 23<sup>rd</sup> 1871

Commences with light wistly winds and good weather at 3 PM wind hauled to S SE saw plenty Fin backs at 8 1/2 saw a Right whale among Finbacks going to seaward lowered three Nets without success M P fine L P light wistly winds and fine weather lowered three Boats for Right-whales no success

Lat 36.54 S

Long 4 37 W

Right whale



Islander John C Hamblen Master

Sunday Dec 24<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with calm  
fine weather some Finbacks and plenty  
birds about M P same L P light variable  
winds and fine weather saw plenty Finbacks

Lat 36.46 S

Monday Dec 25<sup>th</sup> 1871

Long 4.31 W

Commences with light NW  
winds and very fine weather at 5 PM  
saw two Right Whales lowered three  
Boats without success got near enough  
to see that both had been fast to lally  
M P wind and weather same L P foggy  
No CB

Right Whales

Tuesday Dec 26<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with light  
NW winds and thick fog M P and L P  
light briskly winds with fog Lat 36.48 S

Wednesday Dec 27<sup>th</sup>

Commences with  
moderate briskly winds and foggy weather  
saw one ship steering to S E. at sunset  
wind hauled to S by steering W E M P  
and L P light S E winds and rising weather  
Lat 35.11 S  
Long 2.52 W



Remarks on board Bark

Thursday Dec 28<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with light Easterly winds and fine weather steering NNE saw nothing. M P calm S P light variable winds and fine weather Lat 34.58 S

Friday Dec 29<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with NE winds and best of weather Ship cruising M P same S P strong Northwesterly and good weather steering S W

Lat 36.50 S

Sat Dec 30<sup>th</sup> 1871

Long 4.05 W

Commences with strong Northwesterly winds and good weather steering S W M P and S P strong Northwesterly winds and overcast clearing ESE

Lat 37.11 S

Sunday Dec 31<sup>st</sup>

Long 2.48 W

Commences with strong Northwesterly winds and overcast saw plenty Humpbacks M P and S P winds and weather same saw plenty Humpbacks So ends this year 1871

Lat 37.13 S

Long 4.10 W



Blunder John C Hamblen Master

Monday Jan 1<sup>st</sup> 1872

The new year comes with strong NNE winds and overcast weather During E saw plenty Pintacks few birds but nothing that looks like a Sperm whale all are hoping for better times M P and L P wind and weather same steering ESE carrying all prudent sail  
No Obs

Tuesday Jan 2<sup>nd</sup>

Commences with strong NNE & NNE winds and thick foggy weather at 2 PM wind hauled to S and commenced to rain at sunset cleared up. Made all sail M P light variable winds and cloudy L P wind from the NNE blowing strong with much rain took in light sails, Course ESE  
No Obs

Wednesday Jan 3<sup>rd</sup>

Commences with strong northerly winds with rain at 4 PM double reefed topsails weather clearing at sunset wind hauled to W and SE and went SE M P wind same L P wind from S carrying all prudent sail saw Porpoises  
Lat 35.03 S  
Long 100.0 E



Remarks on board. Bark

Thursday Jan 4<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commenced with moderate gale from the S Ship heading ESE M P and L P same very rugged Lat 35.075 Long 10.00

Friday Jan 5<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with a moderate gale from the S carrying all prudent sail M P same L P a little more moderate set the Mainsail and a strong northerly set here Lat 35.080 Long 13.00

Sat Jan 6<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong S E winds but getting to be a little better weather at 4 PM set double reefed Topsail Ship heading S E M P and L P wind and weather same Lat 34.338 Long 16.380

Sunday Jan 7<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong southerly winds and very rugged sea saw two sail steering to N W Ship heading S E by E M P same L P winds and weather same At 10 AM saw Table Mountain bearing by Compass at 12 saw Cape of Good Hope and the Coast of Mauritius about 62 miles distant Lat 34.23



Islande John C Hamblen Master

Monday Jan 8<sup>th</sup> / 1872

Commenced with strong Gale from the S at 1 P.M. our ship and headed to S.W. M.P. and S.P. wind and weather same at midday Cape of Good Hope in sight bearing S.E. wind increasing

Tuesday Jan 9<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with an increasing S.E. Gale Ship lying to the S.W. under storm sails M.P. and L.P. same and no signs of anything different

Lat 34.253

Wednesday Jan 10<sup>th</sup>

Long 16.57.6

Commenced with a S.E. Gale and clear weather Ship heading S.W. M.P. more moderate L.P. still better weather Ship heading S.W. set the course

Lat 35.05.1

Thursday Jan 11<sup>th</sup>

Long 18.40.6

Weather getting better at 2 P.M. set whole Yop sails at 4 set M.Y. Gallant sail at 5 Tacked and headed E.S.E. M.P. wind S.S.W. steering S.E. with all sail set L.P. same weather improving Ship going around the Cape this time if nothing does not break

Lat 36.00.3

Long 18.20.6



Remarks on board Starke

Friday Jan 12<sup>th</sup> 1812

Commenced with strong  
S & W winds and good weather steering  
S & by E. M P and L P wind and weather  
calm, steering E S E, Lat 35.30 S

Long 22.00 E

Sat Jan 13<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with increasing  
S & W winds and good weather steering  
E S E, at 4 P M took in light sails  
saw one bark steering to the west  
ward M P blowing hard with a  
very bad sea L P more moderate steering  
E S E saw a steamer bound E & S  
saw four ships bound to the W

Lat 34.51 S

Sunday Jan 14<sup>th</sup>

Long 25.30 E

Commenced with strong  
southerly winds and good weather  
steering E by S saw several ships  
under very short sail bound to  
the westward M P more moderate L P  
very light S & W winds and good weather

Lat 34.51 S

Monday Jan 15<sup>th</sup>

Long 27.12 E

Commenced with very light  
S & W winds and fine weather saw 10  
sail bound to the westward M P  
and L P calm saw transpases

Lat 34.19 S

Long 28.17 E



Islander John C. Humble Master

Tuesday Jan 16<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commences with  
light variable air and calms. saw  
Sail in sight. Just went on board  
the Ship Prince Eugene of St John  
N.B. bound from Rangoon to Liverpool  
at came on board wind light and from  
the E. M.P. and L.P. Calm plenty Ships  
in sight Saw Porpoises Lat 35.25

Wednesday Jan 17<sup>th</sup>

Commences with light  
variable air and calms. Lowered three  
Boats for Blackfish without success.  
Spoke Bark Merlin, Capt Allen, bound  
home. M.P. strong breeze springing up  
from N.W. and so continued, Course S.E. by E  
Lat 35.248

Thursday Jan 18

Commences with strong  
Gales from N.W. at 2 P.M. commences  
to rain wind hauled to S.W. an S.W. by W.  
Course S.E. carrying all present sail.  
M.P. Squally. had weather L.P. more moderate  
made all sail wind from the S. Course  
S.E. by E. Rove new M.Y. Galian. Breezes  
nothing to be seen Lat 35.228  
Long 21.250



# Remarks on board Bark

Friday Jan 19<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commenced with strong breeze from S.W. and fine weather steering S.E. by E. M.P. light Westerly winds and fine weather L.P. wind hauled N.W. and so around to N.E. breeze light, weather fine Sent in the Gibb for repairs. Course E.S.E. Lat 35.34.3 Long 28.30.8

Sat Jan 20<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light N.W. winds and good weather Ship heading S.E. by E. at 5 P.M. wind increasing and weather looking bad. Finished repairing and bent the Gibb M.P. blowing strong took in light sails and double reefed the Topsails L.P. took in Courses close reefed the Topsails and set storm sails

Lat 35.52.5

Long 32.20.8

Sunday Jan 21<sup>st</sup>

Commenced with a Gale from N.E. Ship lying under storm sails heading to E.S.E. M.P. more moderate L.P. foggy set Courses Gills and Spanker

Notes



Islander John C Hamilton Master

Monday Jan 22<sup>nd</sup> 1872

Commences with foggy  
weather and strong NE winds Ship  
heaving ESE M P same L P more moderate  
and rainy No ts

Tuesday Jan 23<sup>rd</sup>

Commences with moderate  
NE winds with rain at 6 PM had  
a heavy squall from NE wind suddenly  
shifted to SW giving us a fair wind  
and plenty of it. Stirling ENE  
M P strong SW stiring ENE L P more  
moderate and squally. Course same  
Lat 34.08 S

Wednesday Jan 24<sup>th</sup> Long 38.71.6

Commences with  
moderate SW winds with squalls of  
rain. Stirling ENE. M P winds from  
same quarter but more of it; Stirling ENE  
Lat 31.22 S

Thursday Jan 25<sup>th</sup> Long 46.35 E

Commences with strong  
SW winds and good weather stiring  
NE by E M P same L P more moderate  
Stirling NNE Lat 28.50 S  
Long 43.25 E



Remarks on board track

Monday Jan 26<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commenced with  
fresh breeze from SSW and fine  
weather, steering NNE, M P same  
LP strong SSE winds weather fine  
steering NE

Lat 23.403

Long 43.098

Tue Jan 27<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong  
SE breeze and fine weather steering  
NE at sunset shortened sail for the  
night consider the ship upon good whale  
ground M P wind and weather same  
ship lying by at daylight kept off NE  
and made all sail at 7 AM saw the  
coast of Madagascar. At Meridian  
bore bearing from NE to SSE

nearest land 20 miles dist Lat 23.325

Long 43.306

Wednesday Jan 28<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with  
strong SE breeze steering NE at sunset  
shortened sail and luffed to SSW M P  
and LP same and weather same ship  
cruising saw plenty small drift-stuff

Lat 23.163

Long 43.126



Commander John C. Hamilton Master

Monday Jan 29th 1871

Commences with strong S E Trades and fine weather Ship cruising M P Same L P light southerly winds and fine weather saw Gliducks

Lat 22.42 S

Long 40.16 E

Tuesday Jan 30th

Commences with moderate southerly winds and hot of weather at 2 PM saw Europa Island bearing NE by E and headed the ship sail at 6 PM sent in three boats for turtle at 7 1/2 came off with four large ones kept the ship to the NE turtle plenty at this Island M P and L P light S W winds and hot of weather Ship cruising Lat 22.50

Wednesday Jan 31st

Commences with light S W winds and fine weather saw Blackfish M P and L P same repaired the Gracie

Lat 20.42 S

Thursday Feb 1st

Long 46.00 E

Commences with light S W winds and fine weather Employed at mending sails A H. Lock fell from aloft and hit one of our Portugees on the head knocking him senseless. is now doing well M P and L P wind and weather same Employed at painting Ship Course NE

Lat 12.24



Remarks on board bark

Friday Feb 2nd 1812

Commences with light S to winds with occasional squalls of rain, Course NE M P same L P wind breeze from S to and fine weather during M E

Lat 18.33 S

Long 43.25 E

Sat Feb 3rd

Commences with strong S to winds and fine weather At 1 P M saw Coffin Island and the Madagasc shore. Breeze & being ENE at 2 o'clock off to the N to 4th P about 6 miles distant M P and L P wind and weather same Steering NE E

Lat 15.34 S

Long 43.17 E

Sunday Feb 4th

Commences with a good breeze from S to and fine weather, Steering NE E plenty small fish about M P and L P more moderate 6th hour moon does not improve much

Lat 13.24 S

Long 43.17 E

Monday Feb 5th

Commences with light S to winds and fine weather, Steering NE E at 3 P M saw the Comore Isles bearing NE by N M P and L P light S to winds and best of weather (Mozambique and Comore Islands in sight to NE about 60 miles distant)



Stander, Porter & Barnard Master

Tuesday Feb 6<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commences with light S.W. winds and fine weather  
Ship cruising M.P. calm L.P. light  
breezy winds and fine weather at  
11/2 AM saw one Sperm Whale called  
all hands got Boats ready and got dinner

Wednesday Feb 7<sup>th</sup>

Commences with light  
breezy winds and fine weather at  
1 PM lowered three boats and went for  
the whale chased until sunset without  
success whale going quick to S.W. by compass  
bearing E by S 30 East M.P. calm L.P.  
light breezy winds Cruising Lat 12 16 S  
Long 42 20 W

Thursday Feb 8<sup>th</sup>

Commences with light  
breezy winds and fine weather M.P.  
calm L.P. light W.N.W. winds weather fine  
Lat 12 20 S

Friday Feb 9<sup>th</sup>

Commences with light to N.W. winds  
and fine weather saw Porpoises M.P. same  
L.P. light variable winds with occasional  
squalls of Rain No Obs  
Long 42 11 W



# Remarks on board Bark

Sat Feb 10<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commenced with light variable winds and squally. Comoro I. in sight bearing E 30 miles dist. M P and L P wind and weather same. At midday nearest part of Comoro bearing E six miles dist. caught a Porpoise.

Sunday Feb 11<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light variable winds and calms at sunset. Sunk four miles dist. M P and L P wind and weather same. At midday nearest part of Michell bearing S dist 3 miles.

Monday Feb 12<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light westerly winds and fine weather. Joanne in sight bearing E S E. M P light westerly winds and fine weather. At 8 A M came to anchor in Joanne Harbour in 12 fathoms of water washed the ship outside.

Tuesday Feb 13<sup>th</sup>

Came with fine weather and good weather employed at getting coals ready for use. M P and L P winds and weather same. Sent a raft of logs on shore for water. Commenced to paint outside.



Islander John C Hasbelden Master

Wednesday Feb 14<sup>th</sup> 1812

Variable winds  
with occasional squalls of rain. Got off  
a raft of water. M P occasional squalls  
from the Eastward employed at getting off  
across and getting ready to go to sea

Thursday Feb 15<sup>th</sup>

Fine weather and light  
variable air. At 1 P M took the anchor and  
towed out of the harbour M P and L P  
much the same steering to the S E

Friday Feb 16<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light  
N E winds and fine weather. At 4 P M  
came to an anchor in 10 fathoms of water  
on the S E side of the Island. Towed out  
by the Kings House to S E M P and  
L P same employed at painting ship

Sat Feb 17<sup>th</sup>

Very fine weather and light  
variable winds. King on board tracing M P  
and L P winds same employed at painting

Sunday Feb 18<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with squalls from  
the N. M P and L P same one half  
of the crew on shore for a run



# Remarks on Board Bark

Monday Feb 17<sup>th</sup> 1812.

Raining squally weather from the N. at Sunset men came on board M P and L P fine weather employed at getting water

Tuesday Feb 20<sup>th</sup>

Very fine weather and light variable winds L P landing trade

Wednesday Feb 21<sup>st</sup>

Very fine weather employed at various jobs L P employed at taking on board some sugar

Thursday Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>

Very fine weather and light variable winds both come sugar on board L P winds variable weather squally with much rain

Friday Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>

Raining and squally M P same L P strong Gale from NE with heavy squalls but for the second anchor

Sat Feb 24<sup>th</sup>

A little more movement at Sunset got every ready for slipping should we want to do during the night M P and L P more watermen. Sea still running heavy



Islander John C. Hamilton Master  
Sunday Feb 25<sup>th</sup> / 1872

Weather growing  
better the Granch Bark came to anchor  
close by. At sunset took up the flat  
canoe for weather fine. M P and L P  
same ship ready for sea

Monday Feb 26<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light  
variable air calm to at 3 Capt came  
on board at 4 took the canoe  
and tried to get to sea. The swell  
threw us forward so had to let the  
canoe go again in to the shore.  
At 10 P.M. had a light breeze of the land, took  
on anchor and proceeded to sea. P fine  
weather and light NE winds untied the  
chains from the anchors stowed them  
made all snug

Tuesday Feb 27<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light NE  
winds and fine weather M P and L P light  
E S E winds and fine weather Ship  
heading NE

Lat 10, 29 S  
Long 44 50 W

Wednesday Feb 28<sup>th</sup>

Came with light E S E  
winds and fine weather Ship heading NE  
M P and L P wind and weather same  
Saw Porpoises

Lat 8, 10 S  
Long 45 40 W



Remarks on vessel bark

Thursday Feb 27<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commenced with moderate E S E winds and fine weather, heading S S E plenty fish about 11 A P and 1 P wind and weather same Ship on different work working to the Eastward as fast as possible

Lat 9.143

Friday March 1<sup>st</sup>

Long 45.176

Commenced with light S E winds with occasional squalls of rain 11 A P and 1 P fine weather

Lat 8.088

Long 45.406

Sat March 2<sup>nd</sup>

Commenced with light S E winds and fine weather Ship heading N by E 11 A P and 1 P light breeze from S E heading E

Lat 7.303

Sunday March 3<sup>rd</sup>

Long 46.506

Came with light S E winds and fine weather Ship heading E, but the main Royal 11 A and 1 P same

Lat 6.463

Long 47.446

Monday March 4<sup>th</sup>

Came with light breeze from S E and fine weather 11 A P and 1 P were employed at painting boats

Lat 5.723

Long



Steamer John Etienneau Mar. 5

Sunday March 5<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commenced with very light ESE winds and fine weather Ship heading NE saw 100 miles NW and LP same Employed at setting up

Wednesday March 6<sup>th</sup>

Comes with light SE winds and fine weather Ship heading E. MP and LP same Lat 51.55 Long 51.40

Thursday March 7<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light SE winds and fine weather nothing to be seen MP same LP calm Lat 51.55

Friday March 8<sup>th</sup>

Calm clear weather LP occasional light variable breeze Lat 51.55 Long 51.31

Sat March 9<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light variable winds and calm LP calm but a light breeze from the westward during LC Lat 52.25

Sunday March 10<sup>th</sup>

Comes with very light variable winds and fine weather caught a species MP calm LP light NE winds during LC Lat 52.35 Long 52.35



Remarks on board Bark

Monday March 11<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commenced with light variable airs and fine weather, course S E, M P. calm L P light N W winds and fine weather

Lat 43° 5'

Tuesday March 12<sup>th</sup>

Long 50° 56'

Commenced with very light westerly winds and hot weather. In P. M. Great quantities of fish around. M P. calm L P light variable airs and calms. At 4.4 P. M. saw two sperm whales lowered four boats and gave chase. At 11 struck one and got Lot 6 Boat stowed. At Thurston appeared <sup>under the</sup> the Northernmost one being about S E 13 miles distant.

Wednesday March 13<sup>th</sup>

At 11.4 P. M. took

the whale along side got dinner and commenced to cut. At 6 P. M. finished his body and got supper set out with the E. leaving the head along side weather fine. M P. light N W winds. At daylight called all hands took foot in the head and commenced to clear up weather fine two of the officers in sight. Lat 44° 3'



Harmer John E Harmer Master  
Thursday March 14<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commenced with light  
breezy winds and fine weather employed  
at boiling M.P. Squally L.P. strong breeze  
from the E.S.E. with occasional squalls  
Position about the same as yesterday

Friday March 15<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with moderate  
S.E. winds and squally weather  
employed at boiling M.P. and L.P. fine  
weather employed at boiling

Sat March 16<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light  
Easterly winds with occasional squalls  
at 4 finished boiling the whale carrying  
S.S. 15 miles dist M.P. and L.P. light  
variable wind and calm lowered for Blackfish  
without success at 11 o'clock the weather  
grew foggy & having S.S. 5 miles dist

Sunday March 18<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light  
variable wind and calm at 5 1/4 P.M. saw  
a sperm whale 5 miles dist lowered three  
boats and pulled until dark did not  
see them from boats - M.P. and L.P.  
a good breeze from E.S.E. Steaming N.E.  
Saw 3 whales

Lat 42°  
Long 53.500





Remarks on board Bark

Monday March 18<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commenced with light Easterly winds from the westward and fine weather looking hard for whales M P light Easterly winds and fine weather A P employed at stowing oil Amiranite & in light bearing S to E miles dist

Tuesday March 19<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light variable winds and calm at 3 P M finished stowing oil Sunset Amiranite & bearing S to E miles dist M P and A P moderate Easterly breeze and fine weather Employed at curing Meat African and Amiranite & night

Wednesday March 20<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light variable winds have sailed around African & passing between them and Amiranite finished curing Meat M P and A P moderate Easterly winds and fine weather, Cruising  
Lat 4.268



Blunder John C. Hamilton Master

Thursday March 21<sup>st</sup>

Commences with fine breeze from the SE and good weather Saw 3 porpoises M P and 1 P fine breeze from SE saw 1/2 dozen

Friday March 22<sup>nd</sup>

Commences with fine SE breeze and hot & weather Ship cruising M P occasional squalls L P about the same Lat 42 43

Sat March 23<sup>rd</sup>

Commences with moderate SE winds and Squally sea a Breeze also saw 1/2 dozen Islander M P squally at 10 AM raised a school of sperm Whales going to SE quick chased with the ship until midnight Lat 3. 48

Sunday March 24<sup>th</sup>

Commences with strong SE winds with occasional squalls carrying all sail looking for the whale which we had lost run of at 4 raised them off the bow lowered 4 boats and chased until dark without success saw Eagle Island M P squally at 2 PM found the ship was in a reef and a low sand Island close by got up at 11 some 20 positive at daylight St. John it is more so. at midnight wind ceased at 12 AM only and rain at 1 AM. Wind at 2 AM light



Remarks on Board Bark

Monday March 26<sup>th</sup> 1812

Commenced with moderate easterly winds and rain weather lowered your boats to whales at 7 P.M. struck and got one with him along side and commenced to cut at dark made all secure for the night got supper set tables for dinner for the M.P. fine weather at daylight called all hands and went to cutting at 8 finished cutting got breakfast made sail occasional squalls

Lat 6, 53 1/2

Tuesday March 27<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light easterly winds and squalls employed in boiling M.P. and L.P. same

Lat 5-31-5

Wednesday March 28<sup>th</sup> (Long 53 20 E)

Commenced with light easterly winds and fine weather to get up to L.P. and M.P. same finished boiling L.P. light variable winds at 11/41 A.M. rain squalls set boat ready and got dinner

Lat 5-25-8

Thursday March 28<sup>th</sup>

Set sail with fine weather lowered for down tables got one St. Joseph's whaling. E 12 miles dist - M.P. Coopering and drawing on L.P. cut in the 11 table made sail



Stander John E Hamilton Master

Friday March 28<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commences with moderate S E wind and squalls come to land St Joseph Island in sight bearing E M P and S P light Easterly winds and occasional squalls St Joseph bearing E 10 miles distant

Saturday March 29<sup>th</sup>

Commences with light S E winds and good weather M P and S P calm finished boiling Cornmeal bearing S E by 12 miles distant

Sunday March 31<sup>st</sup>

Commences with clear calm weather and warm M P and S P same light E and light S in sight

Monday April 1<sup>st</sup>

Commences with clear calm hot weather M P same S P light N E winds with squalls employed at 2<sup>nd</sup>

Tuesday April 2<sup>nd</sup>

Commences with squalls and fine weather bearing S E 10 miles distant M P Calm S P light variable winds and fine weather finished stowing supplies and sight to Eastward

St Joseph Island



Remarks on board Bark

Wednesday April 3<sup>rd</sup> 1822

Commenced with light N.E. winds and fine weather Ship cruising M.P. and L.P. squally

Thursday April 4<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with variable winds and squally weather. Mast & bearing S.E. 14 miles distant M.P. Squally from the S. all of the fore part raining

Friday April 5<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with moderate S.E. winds with much rain clouds raised Topsails M.P. and L.P. light S.E. wind and fine weather all sail set heading E.

Lat 52° 45'

Sat April 6<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light S.E. winds and very fine weather M.P. and L.P. same

Lat 52° 22'

Long 52° 40'

Sunday April 7<sup>th</sup>

Very fine weather and moderate S.E. winds sent down the main sail repaired and bent it again M.P. and L.P. light S.E. winds and fine weather Ship heading N.E.

Lat 52° 48'

Long 52° 55'



Blanche John C Hamblin Master

Monday April 8<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commenced with light E S E winds and fine weather Ship making No saw Grampse  
M P and S P equally

No 66

Tuesday Apr 9<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with heavy squally weather wind shifted to S W doubt raised the Topsails and started E N E at 5 daylight some saw Eagle Island bearing S by E 5 miles distant At midnight calm found ourselves close in to the breakers called all hands got up a chain and bent it to an anchor got every thing ready for lifting go light and hoisting up made all sail and at 8 am was off soundings stood by labour then hauled back until daylight no land to be seen stood to the Eastward about one hour and raised the land S P equally

Wednesday April 10<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with fine breeze from the S W with squalls Ship coming about onto the reef again Shot water found 16 fathoms M P wind calm and equally S P strong heavily wind and good weather Set down M S for repairs saw nothing

On the way



# Remarks on board Bark

Thursday April 11<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commenced with strong westerly winds and fine weather finished repairing and sent the M<sup>4</sup> & S<sup>4</sup> at Sunset St Joseph leaving 10.30 12 miles dist M<sup>4</sup> P fine weather L<sup>4</sup> P moderate westerly winds and fine weather Employed at repairing a spare M<sup>4</sup> sail. Set Meridian Log Rocks Island bearing S 4 miles dist

Friday April 12<sup>th</sup>

Came with light N<sup>4</sup> winds and fine weather sent a boat to see if any thing could be had in shape of recruits. Saw one Punchman but got nothing except a few Cucumbers and Blackfish M<sup>4</sup> P calm L<sup>4</sup> P same

Sat April 13<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with very light E N E winds and fine weather Employed at repairing sails. Log Rocks in sight M<sup>4</sup> P and L<sup>4</sup> P light N E winds and very fine weather during which we saw Porpoises Employed at various jobs about ship

Log Rocks in the distance of the command not being



Island from C. Hamilton

Sunday April 11<sup>th</sup> 1882

Commenced with light  
N.E. winds and fine weather. During  
day in M.P. wind and weather same  
at midday one of the Lieutenant's party.

Monday April 12<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with very light  
E. N.E. winds and very fine weather. M.P.  
calm S.P. light S.W. winds weather fine  
before leaving. N.E. 12 miles S.W.

Tuesday April 13<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with fine  
winds from S.W. and rest of weather  
same. Sea on shore water all day. M.P.  
wind and weather same S.P. slightly  
from S.E. and much rain.

Wednesday April 14<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong  
S.E. winds and squally at 4 P.M. the  
S. of main house beach. N.W. 5 miles S.W.  
S.E. 10 miles S.W. 10 miles Ship under double  
sails heading S.W. M.P. some S.E. mod.  
moderate turned the vessel out of harbor.



Remarks on Board Duck

Thursday April 18<sup>th</sup> 1812

Commenced with moderate S.E. winds and fine weather steering along the reef to the N.E. At 1 P.M. passed within two miles of S.W. of Bougainville saw swarms of birds sailing upon the sails. M.P. winds and weather same. At P.M. light variable winds and best of weather no sail in sight. Lat 5,35 S

Friday April 19<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with very light variable winds and fine weather. Spoke Bougainville. Capt. Chase M.P. and L.P. strong S.E. winds and fine weather. Ship sailing along the west side of the reef

Sat April 20<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with moderate S.E. winds and very fine weather. At Sunset Eagle Island bearing E. two miles distant. Spoke the Bougainville M.P. and L.P. same. Eagle bearing E. 10 miles

Sunday April 21<sup>st</sup>

Commenced with light S.E. winds and fine weather. M.P. and L.P. same



Stander John C. Hamilton Master

Monday April 22<sup>nd</sup> 1872

Commenced with light S.E. winds and very fine weather. At sunset the S. of Puerto Blanco 10 to 15 miles distant. Saw Brachio M.P. ship on the reef in 10 fathoms hauled the Sea Top and caught a nice lot of fish. S.P. winds and weather same. Morning to the 10 saw the S. of Puerto Blanco. Offshore also saw Blackfish.

Tuesday Apr 23<sup>rd</sup>

Commenced with light S.E. winds and fine weather. Morning M.P. saw Grampians. M.P. and S.P. winds and weather same. Offshore Eagle Islands in sight.

Wednesday April 24<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light S.E. winds and fine weather. Ship heading S. at 4 P.M. saw a large brachio 10 to 15 miles distant. M.P. carrying all sail and heading to westward. S.P. calm Sea and clear weather.

Thursday April 25<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light S.E. winds and fine weather. M.P. and S.P. light S.E. winds and fine weather. Sea calm.



Remains on board ship

Friday April 26<sup>th</sup> 1812

Commence with light S.E. winds and very fine weather. Plenty fish around the ship. M.P. and L.P. wind and weather same. See the ship Berkeley leaving & employed at painting ship inside.

Sat April 27<sup>th</sup> 1812

Commence with light S.E. winds and fine weather. Ship leaving at 11 P.M. and L.P. wind and weather same.

Sat 27<sup>th</sup> 3  
Long 24.00

Sunday April 28<sup>th</sup>

Commence with moderate S.E. winds and fine weather. Ship leaving at 11 P.M. strong S.E. winds. Ship when about sail on different locks at 3 P.M. saw Alphonse Island at 5 sent in three boats to see what was at

Monday April 29<sup>th</sup>

Commence with moderate S.E. winds and fine weather. Ship lying off and on at 3 P.M. boats came on board being about 60 persons some French and others appear to be living on the Pomskine grassy side. M.P. and L.P. strong S.E. winds with occasional squalls. I have not yet been out for a position. The ship is heading to Eastward.

Sat 29<sup>th</sup> 3  
Long 24.00



Blunder John & Thos. M. M. M.

Thursday April 30th 1872

Commenced with strong S.E. wind with occasional squalls. Ship heading S by N P. Squally S by E strong S.E. winds. Spoke Bark Petal Lat 15.45 Long 52.276

Wednesday May 1st

Commenced with strong S.E. wind and good weather. Ship heading S by E M. P. wind and weather same. Took in light sails S. P. wind from S.E. Ship heading S Lat 15.378 Long 52.301

Thursday May 2nd

Commenced with strong S.E. winds with squalls. Tacked Ship to Eastward M. P. wind S. P. wind and weather same. Ship working a windward port by passing Lat 15.128

Friday May 3rd

Commenced with strong S.E. winds and good weather. Ship heading N by M. P. and S. P. winds much the same Lat 10.578

Sat May 4th

Commenced with strong S.E. winds and good weather. At 4 P.M. wind hauled S by E. Ship and headed S by E M. P. and S. P. winds and weather same with squalls Lat 11.058 Long 52.300



Remarks on coast bar

Sunday May 5<sup>th</sup> 1812

Commenced with  
wind breeze from S E and  
weather Ship heading E by S M P  
and L P much the same Lat 40 58  
Long 55 10

Monday May 6<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with brisk  
breezy winds Ship heading E S E  
M P, P and L P heading S E by E weather  
fair employed at painting Lat 41 24 3  
Long 56 52 8

Tuesday May 7<sup>th</sup>

Came with moderate  
breezy winds and fine weather  
Ship heading E S E, M P and L P  
were light from E S E Ship heading N E  
Lat 41 13

Wednesday May 8<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with  
moderate S E winds and fine weather  
Ship heading N E M P and L P were  
under weather same Tacked to the S  
Lat 41 50

Thursday May 9<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong  
E S E winds and fine weather saw  
Vendicks and lots of Porpoises M P  
and L P wind and weather same took  
in sight  
Lat 42 5  
Long 57 20



Stamper John S. Thacker, Master  
Friday May 10<sup>th</sup> 1812

Commenced with strong Eustle winds and squally  
Ship heading S by E at 4 P M  
off to S by E and at 12 1/2 sail  
M P and L P same Lat 12 35 S

Long 50 22 W

Sat May 11<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong  
S E winds and squally steering S by E  
at sunset shortened sail in hopes of  
finding a whale to morrow L P  
steering S E Lat 14 12 S

Long 55 14 W

Sunday May 12<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong  
S E winds and good weather steering S by E  
M P wind and weather same L P more moving  
Spoke back John Dawson full bound for  
Mauritius Two Boats to windward

Lat 15 28 S

Monday May 13<sup>th</sup>

Long 54 52 W

Commenced with moderate  
S E winds and fine weather John Dawson  
in company M P and L P much the same

Lat 16 38 S

Tuesday May 14<sup>th</sup>

Long 53 52 W

Commenced with moderate  
S E winds and good weather Spoke John  
Dawson M P and L P much the same  
heading S E Lat 15 24 S

Long 58 52 W



Went on board Bark

Wednesday May 15<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commons with moderate S.E. winds and  
very fine weather. Ship heaving  
M.P. and L.P. same. Lat 13.13

Long 53.58

Thursday May 16<sup>th</sup>

Commons with strong  
S.E. winds and squally weather  
M.P. and L.P. same. Lat 13.33

Long 53.58

Friday May 17<sup>th</sup>

Commons with strong  
S.E. winds and good weather. Ship calm  
M.P. and L.P. same. Lat 13.15

Long 53.58

Sat May 18<sup>th</sup>

Commons with strong  
S.E. winds and overcast weather  
Ship under double reefed topsails and  
fore sail M.P. same L.P. more reduced

Lat 13.50

Sunday May 19<sup>th</sup>

Long 52.58

Commons with moderate  
S.E. winds and good weather M.P.  
and L.P. strong breeze and squally  
Ship's movement under short sail

Lat 13.43



Island of St. John & St. John's Harbor

Monday May 20th 1873

Commenced with  
S.E. winds and squally weather. and  
one Humpback M.P. and S.P. at a  
moderate gale of wind with occasional  
heavy squalls. Trip under double main  
and close reefed Fore Top Sail

Lat 22.503

Tuesday May 21st

Commenced with  
a moderate Gale from S.E. M.P. same  
S.P. a little more moderate set Spinnaker

Lat 12.328

Wednesday May 22nd

Long 51.242

Commenced with strong  
Gales from S.E. with occasional squalls  
and a Humpback M.P. and S.P. same  
No 12.

Thursday May 23rd

Commenced with strong  
S.E. winds and squally weather M.P. and  
S.P. strong Gales and squally

No 12.

Friday May 24th

Commenced with strong  
Gales from the S. Squalls and heavy  
Top Sails M.P. and S.P. same

Lat 14.112

Sat May 25th

Long 68.52

A continuation of Gale  
from S.E. with a heavy squall M.P.  
and S.P. same

Lat 14.58

Long 68.52



# Remarks on Board Bark

Sunday May 26<sup>th</sup> 1812

Commenced with strong S.E. winds on cables just as you have an order to call them. Ship heading to the E. M.P. a little more moderate S.P. made some sail

Lat 10.513

Monday May 27<sup>th</sup>

Long 51.650

Commenced with strong increasing S.E. winds. Ship varying all subject heading to the Eastward at 3 P.M. saw Phoenix Island bearing N.E. 6 miles distant. Ship to S.W. M.P. and S.P. made

Lat 11.013

Tuesday May 28<sup>th</sup>

Long 48.510

Commenced with strong S.E. winds and squally. Split the M. Top and sent it down repaired and bent it again. M.P. and S.P. wind from S. Force ship to E.S.E.

Lat 10.448

Long 47.580

Wednesday May 29<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong southerly winds and squally weather at 4 P.M. a little more moderate. M.P. squally with much rain. S.P. second and third but kept at anchor. Ship heading to the N.

Lat 10.513

Long 47.580



Stander John C Hamilton Master

Thursday May 30<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commenced with strong S E winds double reefed the Topsails at 1 P M had a heavy squall from the Eastward M P weather warm S P still warm saw the north part of Madagascar in the vicinity of Port Liverpool

Lat 11.523

Long 48 50.6

Friday May 31<sup>st</sup>

After having at noon the ice of the land find better weather hazy land bearing S E 30 miles distant M P calm under the lee of the land and find it quite smooth S P beating to windward soon as we get to the East of Cape Lambert have a Gale of wind from S E Cape Lambert about 30 miles distant S E

Saturday June 1<sup>st</sup>

Commenced with light variable winds in shore and a Gale as we go off spoke a Schooner from New Bedford bound to Mozambique M P and S P strong S E winds

Sunday June 2<sup>nd</sup>

Commenced with strong S E winds and squally S W by S winds in off Cape Lambert Capt. Underwood at 1 P M stood out for the Cape and at 4 P M was clear and the topsails were got back as before M P some S P continual squalls from S E stood in the morning S E by S and on which the schooner about 11 miles distant from us and about 11 miles from the Cape



# Remarks on Board Bark

Monday June 3<sup>rd</sup> 1812

Commenced with strong S.E. winds and good weather ship heading E.H.N. Saw a large ship steering to the N. N.W. and S.W. bearing E.H. Dist 1 Lat 11.03 Long

Tuesday June 4<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong S.E. winds and squally ship heading W.H.E. N.W. very squally S.W. Lat 10.40 Long

Wednesday June 5<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong S.E. winds and squally ship heading E.H. Saw a ship to the S.W. N.W. bearing W.H.E. Dist 1 Lat 10.20 Long

Thursday June 6<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong S.E. winds and good weather saw two boats some 1000 yds from us at 4 P.M. Capt went on shore to the North Head and brought off two dogs two huts and some tools there were about 20 men some of children were planting Coconuts. N.W. strong S.E. winds and very rugged S.W. strong breeze and squally at 9 A.M. raised a large number of sperm whales got boat ready but being so very rugged could not get run of the whales



Journal of John C. Hunter Master

Friday June 7<sup>th</sup> 1852

Commenced with strong  
gales from S.E. with heavy squalls  
and a bad sea. At 3 P.M. lowered two  
boats for sperm whales. Soon struck  
one but took him along side some  
gear and commenced to cut but did not  
put <sup>on</sup> another fluke chain so the ship  
and Towsail and headed to S.W. being  
blowing a gale and very rough. The  
same day it rained all night and  
commenced to sail again. Managed to  
get him by 10 A.M. made some sail and  
headed N.W. & E.

Lat 16.31

Long 50.25 E.

Sat June 8<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with wind from  
S.E. and little better weather. The sea  
is now could see bottom very plainly.  
Commenced to trim. M.P. had another section  
taken. S.P. a little better weather. At noon  
used Fore Towsail and started with sails.

Lat 16.11

Sunday June 9<sup>th</sup>

Long 50.00

Commenced with S.E.  
winds and improving weather. Employed  
at boiling. M.P. more moderate but very  
and set M.P. & G. sail. S.P. good weather  
continued boiling and set Main sail.

Lat 16.11

Long 50.48 E.



Remarks on board Bark

Monday June 10<sup>th</sup> 1812

Commenced with strong S E winds and good weather M P and L P same

Lat 10.38

Tuesday June 11<sup>th</sup>

Long 50.50

Commenced with strong S E winds and fair weather morning to windward as fast as possible M P winds same weather thick and hazy till 4 o'clock and found 10 fathoms, backed to 15 fathoms under daylight when we saw the North Star. Lacks bearing E S, 6 miles distant L P strong breeze from S E with squalls the day 10.8 miles dist

Wednesday June 12<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong S E winds and good weather Ship cruising at sunset North Star bearing E S, 4 miles distant M P wind and weather same L P lying off and on the N Island

Thursday June 13<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong S E winds and good weather Ship still lying off and on, has boarded by some of the Islanders M P and L P moderate S E winds and good weather the first we have had for a month

Lat 10.07

Long 50.40



Stander John C. Hamilton Master

Friday June 14<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commences with moderate  
S.E. winds and good weather Ship coming  
M.P. same L.P. moderate S.W. winds and  
fine weather Ship heading S.E. & S

Lat 10.108

Sat June 15<sup>th</sup>

Long 50.488

Commences with light S.W.  
winds and fine weather all sail set and  
heading S.E. & S. M.P. strong breeze from  
S Ship heading E.S.E., L.P. wind same  
and increasing employed at stowing sail

Lat 10.588

Sunday June 16<sup>th</sup>

Long 52.000

Commences with strong  
S.W. winds and clear weather took in  
light sails and double reefed the Topsails  
at 3 P.M. finished stowing and washed  
decks weather growing worse M.P. and L.P.  
heading E.S.E.

Lat 11.088

Long 53.588

Monday June 17<sup>th</sup>

Commences with strong  
southerly winds and overcast weather  
Ship heading E.S.E. M.P. same at daylight  
tacked to S.W.

Lat 11.443

Tuesday June 18<sup>th</sup>

Commences with  
with strong S.S.E. winds with overcast  
squally weather Ship heading S.W. M.P.  
and L.P. same

Lat 12.338

Long 52.308



Remarks on board Bark

Wednesday June 19<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commenced with strong S E winds and overcast weather Ship heading S W employed at repairing a H Top sail M P and L P much the same tacked to the Eastward, sent down the Mainsail for repairs turned one out of M Y S

Lat 13.00 S

Thursday June 20<sup>th</sup>

Long 52.36 E

Commenced with strong southerly winds and a rugged sea Ship heading E S E, finished repairing and bent the Mainsail M P and L P heading S E by E

Lat 13.18 S

Friday June 21<sup>st</sup>

Long 54.36 E

Commenced with strong southerly winds and squally weather at 4 P M wind veered a little to the E. Tacked and headed S W by S M P and L P wind and weather same

Lat 14.22 S

Long 52.36 E

Sat June 22<sup>nd</sup>

Commenced with strong S S E Gales with a heavy sea Ship heading S W, M P same L P a little more moderate turned one reef out of M Y Sail at 11 wind veered a little to S Tacked and headed E S E

Lat 15.06 S

Long 51.40 E



Islander John C Hamblin Master

Sunday June 23<sup>rd</sup> 1872

Commences with strong winds from the S. Ship heading S E set M & G sail over single reef M P increasing wind took in G & J and double reefed L P much same

Lat 15,07.31

Monday June 24<sup>th</sup>

Long 53,106

Comes with strong southerly winds and squally weather Ship heading S E by E M P, S & L winds and squally heading S E At daylight set at 10<sup>hr</sup> light breeze from Eastward made all sail and steered S E

Lat 15,285

Tuesday June 25<sup>th</sup>

Commences with moderate Easterly winds and fine weather Ship heading S E Passed along by Sand Is At 4 P M had it being to dist 6 miles M P and L P light Easterly winds with occasional squalls of Rain

Lat 16,388

Long 54,358

Wednesday June 26<sup>th</sup>

Commences with light East winds and fine weather Ship heading S E M P and L P light variable winds with squalls of Rain Course S E by E

Lat 17,30.3

No Obs of



# Remarks on Board Bark

Thursday June 27<sup>th</sup> / 1872

Commences with light variable winds from N E to S E with squalls of Rain M P much rain wind strong from S E double reefed L P wind same Ship heading S S W saw a Bark headed to the Eastward

Lat 14.24

Friday June 28<sup>th</sup>

Long 54.30

Commences with strong S E winds and overcast weather Ship heading S S W, M P and L P moderate made all sail

Lat. 19.50 S

Sat June 29<sup>th</sup>

Long 58.19

Commences with moderate S E winds and good weather Ship heading S S W unbent the Fore and M Gopails and bent some better ones M P much the same at midday he tooked and headed E by N L P heading E weather overcast employed at washing ship

Lat 14.15

Sunday June 30<sup>th</sup>

Commences with moderate breezes from S by E Ship heading E by S weather overcast M P and L P much the same

No Obs



Islander John C Hawken Master

Monday July 1<sup>st</sup> 1872

Commenced with strong  
S E winds and thick overcast weather  
carrying all prudent sail. M P wind  
severe. Ship heading S S E at daylight  
the Island of Bourbon in sight  
bearing S E 15 miles distant. S P  
winds variable

Tuesday July 2<sup>nd</sup>

Came with strong S E  
winds and clear weather. Ship heading  
E N E, sent in the Kly Gie repaired  
and sent it again. M P heading E at  
daylight saw the I. of Mauritius bearing  
S E by E 25 miles distant. Saw a Brig bound S  
S P moderate S E winds

Wednesday July 3<sup>rd</sup>

Commenced with  
moderate S S E winds and fine weather.  
Ship cruising. M P same. S P light breeze.  
Ship heading S W sent down the Kousait for repairs  
at Mauritan. Port Louis bearing S E by S 15 miles distant.

Thursday July 4<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light variable  
winds and calm. finished repairing and sent the  
Kousait. M P and S P calm at Mauritan.  
nearest land bearing E S E 25 miles distant.



# Remarks on board Bark

Friday July 5<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commenced with clear calm weather M P and L P very light variable air and calms Port Louis bearing E 20 mls dist

Sat July 6<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light northerly winds and fine weather, using every means to gain our Port M P light variable air L P light S E air and fine weather saw several small cliffs

Sunday July 7<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light breezes from S to steering NE for Port Louis At 4 P let go the anchor in 12 fathoms of water the anchorage buoy about one and a half ships length dist - gave 45 fms chain furled sails & during the night calm At 8 AM sent one watch ashore for a run Capt and family went on shore At sunset watch came on board

Monday July 8<sup>th</sup>

Fine weather employed at painting ship and doing small jobs

Tuesday July 9<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light variable wind and best of weather Employed at painting ship & Bayonets on board repairing the ship

At Mauritius



Islander John C. Hamilton Master

Wednesday July 10<sup>th</sup> 1872

Fine weather  
Painting ship and performing  
other jobs about ship

Thursday July 11<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with fine  
weather and light variable winds took off  
a raft of waste

Friday July 12<sup>th</sup>

Very fine weather landed  
some sugar that we took on board at  
Johanna

Sat July 13<sup>th</sup>

Fine weather strong  
trades blowing sent all of our unshipped  
on shore to be shipped if they feel so inclined

Sunday July 14<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with fine weather  
and light S.W. winds some of the crew on shore  
for a run at sunset all came off except the Captain

Monday July 15<sup>th</sup>

Very fine weather and light variable  
winds, <sup>stop</sup> watch ashore on liberty hands on board  
ship employed at stowing down water

Tuesday July 16<sup>th</sup>

Very fine weather and light  
variable winds S.W. watch ashore on liberty  
hands on board employed at various jobs about  
ship

Col. Mauritian



# Remarks on Board Bark

Wednesday July 17<sup>th</sup> 1872

Rainy stormy weather at daylight watch came on board at sea the Cooper sent the Star watch ashore on liberty John Cummings and J. Smiths reported themselves on board

Thursday July 18<sup>th</sup>

Very fine weather lab ashore on liberty watch on board employed at various jobs

Friday July 19<sup>th</sup>

Clear weather employed at getting off water Flour & and getting ready for sea

Sat July 20<sup>th</sup>

Very fine weather and light breeze from SE employed at various jobs about ship Henry Murphy reported himself on board

Sunday July 21<sup>st</sup>

Very fine weather Star lab ashore for a run

Monday July 22<sup>nd</sup>

Very fine weather and strong breeze Ship ready for sea took on board some vegetables Charles Cox reported himself on board Also Sebastian Wells

At Mauritius



Islander John C Hamblen Master

Tuesday July 23<sup>rd</sup> 1872.

Commenced with strong Trades with squalls of rain at 4 PM Capt came on board with family took the Anchor made sail and Steered to N N W, ~~xxx~~ At 7 Capt found he had left his Papers, took Y G Sails and hauled to the E to beat back. M P strong Trades carried away the Spanker At daylight Ship up to the Anchorage

Wednesday July 24<sup>th</sup>

At 7 AM went on shore Ship lying off and on at 10 1/2 Capt came on board with Papers also brought on board a spar to make a Spanker Boom. Kept the Ship to N N W and made all sail At Meridian Mauritius bearing S S E 12 miles so ends this 12 hours

Thursday July 25<sup>th</sup>

Commence this first nautical day with strong S E Trades and good weather steering N N W employed making a Spanker Boom at Sunset no land to be seen M P and S P winds and weather same

Lat 16 30 S  
Long 54 40 E



Remarks on Board Bark

Friday July 26<sup>th</sup> 1872

Comes with strong Trades with occasional squalls steering NW, Employed at setting head gear MP and LP wind and weather same

Lat 15.168

Sat July 27<sup>th</sup>

Long 52.236

Commences with strong SE Trades with occasional squalls steering NW by W MP same LP winds same steering NW

Lat 12.478

Sunday July 28<sup>th</sup>

Long 50.258

Commences with strong Trades and good weather steering NW MP more moderate steering to LP light SE winds and fine weather At 9 AM saw Glorie Is bearing W kept the WSW at 10<sup>th</sup> saw a wreck on the reef At 11 died out calm had to lower the Boats and tow the Ship off. The reef about 1/2 mile dist

Monday July 29<sup>th</sup>

Commences with light breezes and fine weather Sent a Boat to the wreck It proved to be the Bark Louise Pharsii of Marseilles seems to be there some months had been stripped of every thing of any value Set her on fire and left her burning brightly MP light southerly winds and fine weather steering W LP strong southerly winds steering to by I took 40 Sails

Lat 14.50



Islander John C Hamblin Master

Tuesday July 30<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commences with strong southerly winds and good weather during day. At 4<sup>th</sup> saw the Is of Johanne bearing W by S, at sunset Johanne about 15 miles dist. M P working up to the land. L P strong southerly winds. Capt went on shore to see the King. At midday came on board and kept the ship off for the anchorage.

Wednesday July 31<sup>st</sup>

Commences with strong southerly winds. At 2 P M lost the breeze altogether then had light variable airs up to the anchorage where we let go the anchor in 18 fathoms and gave 60 fathoms chain furled sails &c. About 8 P M when we came to had been towing with boats about two hours. Set water and let the others turn in. M P squally. L P more moderate employed at getting water.

Thursday Aug 1<sup>st</sup>

Very fine weather took on board a raft of water. Bark Petrel came in. M P and L P much the same.

Friday Aug 2<sup>nd</sup>

Fine weather getting off water. M P and L P fine weather employed at playing water and getting ready to take Panuts. L P employed at taking on board Panuts.



Remarks on board Bark  
Sat Aug 3<sup>rd</sup> 1872

Very fine weather took on  
board some Banuts Coconuts and  
wood

Sunday Aug 4<sup>th</sup>

Very fine weather Hal watch  
on shore for a run at sunset all came on  
board

Monday Aug 5<sup>th</sup>

Strong Trade weather fine  
employed at taking in Banuts

Tuesday Aug 6<sup>th</sup>

Strong Trade and squally  
took on board some wood and Coconuts

Wednesday Aug 7<sup>th</sup>

Very fine weather employed  
at taking on board Banuts and wood

Thursday Aug 8<sup>th</sup>

Fine weather took on board  
some Banuts, and about 40 lb water

Friday Aug 9<sup>th</sup>

Very fine employed at  
setting rigging and taking recruits

Sat Aug 10<sup>th</sup>

Good weather employed  
at various jobs

At 10 o'clock



Islander John C Hamilton Master  
Sunday Aug 11<sup>th</sup> 1872

Very fine weather Stat  
watch on shore for a run at sunset all  
came on board

Monday Aug 12<sup>th</sup>  
Weather fine Ship ready  
for sea Capt endeavoring to settle with the  
Jannamen

Tuesday Aug 13<sup>th</sup>  
At daylight took up  
our anchor and left the Port of Johanna  
had very light air and calm until  
Meridian so ends this day of 12 hours

Wednesday Aug 14<sup>th</sup>  
Commences with light  
Easterly winds and fine weather starting  
to N by at 4 PM stowed anchors and  
chains and put them below so commences  
our nautical day At sunset ship about  
midway between Johanna and Mohilla  
M P and L P very light S E winds and  
fine weather Ship heading S S W  
Lat 13.108

Thursday Aug 15<sup>th</sup>  
Commences with light S E  
Air and calm Ship heading S S W  
M P calm L P light S E winds Ship heading  
S S W employed at overhauling rigging and whale  
lines  
Lat 13.408  
Long 43.342



# Remarks on board Bark

Friday Aug 16<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commences with light breeze from SE and fine weather at 2 PM wind hauled to SW Yacked ship and headed SE, MP strong breezes from SW double reefed topsails & P same

Lat 14.40 S

Long 45.46

Sat Aug 17<sup>th</sup>

More moderate out the reef and set M & G sail employed at overhauling blocks (MP strong, S.W. winds & P wind from NW heading to SW

Lat 15.28

Sunday Aug 18<sup>th</sup>

Commences with moderate breezes from NW ship heading to SW at 5 PM saw land bearing S by S MP and L P moderate breezes from NW at 9 AM saw Chesterfield Shoal bearing SW

Monday Aug 19<sup>th</sup>

Commences with light variable airs and calms saw something Rocks also saw a steamer bound to the N. At Sun set Chesterfield Shoal bearing S E by S 1 mile out. MP and L P light - variable winds and fine weather At 10 AM saw the Island of John Dekora bearing S.W.



Master John C Hamilton Master

Tuesday Aug 20<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commences with light S.E. winds and fine weather, Course S.W. at sunset John Dehove bearing E by S 10 miles dist. M.P. and L.P. moderate breeze from S.E., steering S.W.

Lat 17.54.8

Long 42.00.5

Wednesday Aug 21<sup>st</sup>

Comes with light S.E. air and calms M.P. calm L.P. light Easterly winds and fine weather, steering S.

Lat 19.03.8

Thursday Aug 22<sup>nd</sup>

Comes with light N.E. wind and fine weather, steering S. M.P. and L.P. strong southerly wind took in light sails ship heading to S.W.

Lat 20.26.3

Long 42.09.1

Friday Aug 23<sup>rd</sup>

Commences with strong southerly winds and good weather, ship heading to S.W. M.P. and L.P. rain

Lat 21.24.8

Long 40.13.1

Sat Aug 24<sup>th</sup>

Commences with moderate southerly winds at 5 P.M. backed and headed S.E. saw a bark standing S.E. M.P. backed again and headed S.W. L.P. strong breeze from S.E. ship heading S.W. on Tuesday took in light sails



Remarks on board Buck

Sunday Aug 25<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commenced with strong S.E. winds and good weather. Ship heading S.W., M.P. same S.P. with moderate made all sail saw a Sulphur Bottom

Lat 23.51 S

Long 34.45 E

Monday Aug 26<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light S.E. winds and fine weather. Ship heading S.W., M.P. and S.P. light E.N.E. winds

Lat 24.16 S

Tuesday Aug 27<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light S.W. winds and fine weather. Ship heading S.W. saw a Sulphur Bottom. M.P. and S.P. much the same. Ship cruising

Lat 24.13 S

Long 36.15 E

Wednesday Aug 28<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with moderate N.E. winds and fine weather, looking sharp for whales. Ship heading S.E. at daylight dept. to N.W. saw two whales

Lat 24.55 S

Long 36.15 E

Thursday Aug 29<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with moderate E.N.E. winds and good weather. Ship heading N. at 3 P.M. saw land bearing N.W. saw many porpoises. M.P. and S.P. steady E.N.E. winds. Ship cruising

Lat 25.03 S

Long 35.10 E



Blanche John & Elizabeth Master

Friday Aug 30th 1872

Commenced with strong  
E N E winds and good weather. Dredge  
sailed 10 p.m. saw 10 p.m. at 10 p.m.  
and weather same made all sail and  
stood to S W, to P m moderate breeze.  
This day Captains wife gave birth to a strong  
healthy male child.

Lat 26.253

Long 93.31

Sat Aug 31st

Commenced with strong  
northerly winds and fine weather. Dredge  
to S W saw 10 p.m. at 4 p.m. at  
10 p.m. saw 10 p.m. at 10 p.m.  
and increased to a strong breeze. Standing  
to S W at daylight. In the forenoon about  
13 miles out kept the ship to the  
S W along the land but did not  
in the light sail.

Lat 28.168

Sunday Sept 1st

Commenced with strong and  
increasing E N E winds and heavy rain. The  
ship remaining along the land to the south  
of the Cape. At sunset falling glass  
dropped and evening clear except the N E wind  
and lay to the S E, moderate breeze. At midnight  
calm. At 11 p.m. strong breeze from S W. At  
daylight turned one reef out of 10 sails and  
set the Gaff and headed to the W N W.

Lat 29.148

No Long



# Remarks on board Bark

Monday Sept 2nd 1872

Commenced with strong S S E winds and overcast weather at sunset squally with some rain furled courses and close reefed topsails. M P wind hauled to S S E and moderated at daylight turned out reef and set foresail and bid stunsail to by to saw several large pieces of Squid weather dark and overcast  
No Obs

Tuesday Sept 3rd

Commenced with moderate S S E winds and good weather during whole of day at sunset set in squally M P had weather took on foresail and 4 topsail S P wind S W and squally

Wednesday Sept 4th

Commenced with strong S W Gale and bad weather steering E S E close reefed and set the 4 topsail and foresail M P more moderate S P wind from S E and squally ship heading E N E  
No Obs

Thursday Sept 5th

Commenced with strong Easterly winds and overcast squally weather at 4 P M Yacked and hauled S S E M P and L P heading S E under double reef and courses  
No Obs



Islander John C Hamblin Master

Friday Sept 6<sup>th</sup> 1877.

Commences with strong gales from NE and squally weather took in mainsail and Fore Top Sail M P same L P a little more moderate

Lat 30.348

Sat Sept 7<sup>th</sup>

Long 34.358

Commences with strong gales from NE and very rugged sea set the double reefed H Top Sail and mainsail and steered SE by S at 3 PM set the Gilt

and Black Jack M P much lightning in A to weather squally L P much better weather made all sail, Steering SE Lat 31.478

Long 37.07

Sunday Sept 8<sup>th</sup>

Commences with increasing NE winds and overcast weather took in light sails, saw a ship steering to westward L P more moderate weather good Steering SE

Lat 32.538

Monday Sept 9<sup>th</sup>

Long 39.568

Commences with increasing NE winds and overcast weather took in light sails

M P more moderate made all sail Steering ESE L P light ENE winds and thick foggy weather No Obs

Tuesday Sept 10<sup>th</sup>

Commences with moderate NE winds and foggy weather hailing SE by E M P

and L P strong NE winds and hazy weather

Steering SE by E

Lat 34.028

Long 40.07



# Remarks on Board Bark

Wednesday Sept 11<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commenced with strong NE wind and hazy weather, during S E & M P little more moderate. At P wind hauled to the N, course E S E Lat 34.078 Long 48.308

Thursday Sept 12<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong northerly winds and hazy weather, during E S E, at sunset wind hauled to S W and commenced to rain. M P and L P light Easterly winds and thick fog at midnight calm

Friday Sept 13<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with calm foggy weather at 2 PM light breeze from NE, during E S E M P moderate L P strong NW winds and good weather. Course same Lat 33.37.8 Long 53.078

Sat Sept 14<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong NW winds and good weather during E S E M P and L P same saw a ship bound E Lat 33.428

Sunday Sept 15<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong NW winds and hazy weather, during E S E M P same L P wind varying from NE to NW with fog and rain No Obs



Islander John C Hamblin Master

Monday Sept 16<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commenced with light variable winds and hazy weather steering ESE. M P and L P increasing westerly winds with occasional squalls of rain

Lat 33.418

Tuesday Sept 17<sup>th</sup>

Long 63.37 E

Commenced with strong westerly winds with some rain, steering ESE saw Finbacks M P and L P same

Lat 33.508

Wednesday Sept 18<sup>th</sup>

Long 66.03 E

Commenced with strong westerly Gale with squalls at 5 P M, wind hauled to SE and increased much, steering SE, carrying all prudent sail. At 2 P M took in fore topsail M P wind same with heavy squalls. L P very rugged sea wind hauled to the SSE, took in M topsail set storm sails and hove ship to the wind heading to the westward.

Lat 34.388

Long 68.31 E

Thursday Sept 19<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong SE Gales hove ship to SE at 5 P M set fore sail weather more moderate.

M P set topsails L P fine weather made all sail and steering SE by S.

Lat 34.515

Long 69.54 E



Friday Sept 20<sup>th</sup> / 1872

Commences with moderate S S winds and good weather steering S by S at 2 PM wind hauled to westward and increased MP and S P wind N E and fine weather

Lat 35, 368

Sat Sept 21<sup>st</sup>

Commences with moderate N W winds and overcast weather, at 4 PM wind hauled to S and set in squally double reefed Topsails, Course S by S, MP squally S P wind from S E and overcast weather

No Pla

Sunday Sept 22<sup>nd</sup>

Commences with strong S E winds and cloudy weather Ship heading E N E. Double reefed Topsails MP wind and weather much the same, tacked Ship and headed S by E S P much the same

Lat 35, 298

Monday Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>

Long 75, 68

Commences with strong Easterly winds and rugged sea wind hauled a little to the N Course S by E MP much the same At 9 AM saw the Is of Amsterdam bearing S by E kept the Ship for it and made all sail



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Tuesday Sept 24<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commenced with strong N.E. winds and overcast weather at 1 1/2 P.M. were close in on the leeward side of the land double reefed <sup>top sail</sup> and furlled the course much wind at times. Sent three boats fishing at 6 P.M. boats came off bringing about 5 bbls fish took up boats furlled 1/2 top sail weather looking bad, ship heading to N.W., M.P. much the same L.P. rainy and foggy ran to the leeward and sent one boat in

Wednesday Sept 25<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong N.E. winds and thick weather boat came off bringing about 1 bbl of fish kept the ship 8 bbls carrying as prudent sail M.P. and L.P. light winds and thick fog

Thursday Sept 26<sup>th</sup>

Came with moderate northerly winds and thick fog. Staying 8 bbls M.P. and L.P. strong N.E. winds overcast weather. Course same Lat 32 1/2 S

Friday Sept 27<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong N.E. winds and hazy weather. Staying 8 bbls M.P. same L.P. a good whole sail breeze from N.E. Ship heading E.S.E. saw a sail bound the same way as ourselves Lat 34 04 S



# Remarks on board Bark

Sat Sept 28<sup>th</sup>/87

Commenced with  
a good whole sail breeze from W &  
Ship heading E S E M P and L P much  
the same Lat 36, 54 S  
Long 90, 108

Sunday Sept 29<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with N N E  
winds and good weather carrying all  
prudent sail and steering E by S  
M P and L P winds varying from N to N E  
Lat 36, 36 S  
Long 94, 15 E

Monday Sept 30<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with moderate N N E  
and fine weather M P and L P winds very  
inconstant and rainy foggy hazy weather  
No Obs

Tuesday Oct 1<sup>st</sup>

Commenced with variable  
winds and hazy weather Course E by N. M P  
and L P increasing S E winds Lat 34, 27 S  
Long 99, 24 E

Wednesday Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>

Commenced with strong S E  
winds and overcast took in light sails and  
double reefed topsails M P and L P much the same

Thursday Oct 3<sup>rd</sup>

Commenced with strong S E winds  
and overcast weather, Ship heading E N E, M P  
and L P wind varying from S to S W  
Lat 32, 19, S  
Long 102, 51 E



Blanca John C Hammer Master

Friday Oct 4<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commences with strong southerly winds and squally weather ship heading E S E. Double reefed topsails M P same L P moderate southerly winds and some rain made all sail

Lat 32.16 S

Long 105.00 E

Sat Oct 5<sup>th</sup>

Commences with moderate southerly winds and overcast weather at 5 PM wind hauled to S by M P and L P much the same steering E S E.

Lat 32.48 S

Long 108.50 E

Sunday Oct 6<sup>th</sup>

Commences with increasing S W winds with occasional squalls at 6 PM took in light sails and double reefed topsails, steering S by E, M P furlled G topsail and courses and lay to S, L P wind hauled to S S W and moderated made some sail and steered S E by E

Lat 33.38 S

Lat 110.42 E

Monday Oct 7<sup>th</sup>

Comes with strong S S W winds and overcast weather, steering S by E M P and L P more moderate made all sail wind hauled to the S

Lat 34.18 S

Long 113.02 E



# Remarks on board. Bark

Tuesday Oct 8<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commences with moderate Southerly winds and good weather Ship heading E S E. M P and L P much the same At daylight saw Cape Leuwin bearing E Lat 34.15 S

Wednesday Oct 9<sup>th</sup>

Commences with light Southerly winds and fine weather the land in vicinity of Cape Leuwin bearing from N N E to S S E. M P and L P much the same Cape Leuwin bearing E,

Thursday Oct 10<sup>th</sup>

Commences with moderate S E winds and fine weather Ship cruising spoke the Barks Mermaid and Fanny Nicholson, report having seen plenty of whales M P same L P light Northerly winds and very fine weather sent down the Mainsail for repairs Lat 35.00 S

Friday Oct 11<sup>th</sup>

Commences with moderate Northerly winds and fine weather, boom hauled to N W and increased Spoke Bark Canton finished repairing and bent the Mainsail M P squally with in G. G. sail fueled Coals L P wind from S W blowing a moderate Gale



Islander John C Hamilton Master  
Sat Oct 12<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commenced with a moderate gale from S W Ship lying to S S E M P and L P much the same  
No Obs

Sunday Oct 13<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong gales from S W with squalls M P and L P Ship lying under bare poles

Monday Oct 14<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with a smart gale from the westward about ship to the S at 5 PM moderated some but close reefed M S Sail M P set double reefed Topsails L P set Courses saw the land in the vicinity of Bald Head

Tuesday Oct 15<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong double reefed Topsail breeze and a bad sea Ship cruising M P same carried the outer Bobstay L P more moderate ship cruising repaired the Bobstay

Wednesday Oct 16<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with fine breezes from the westward saw one sail and some Yimbucks M P and L P much the same saw Yimbucks Lat 35, 23 S,



# Remarks on board Bark

Thursday Oct 17<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commenced with light S.W. winds and fine weather carrying all sail and working to westward M.P. and L.P. calm

Friday Oct 18<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with very light S.W. winds and best of weather, saw nothing M.P. Calm L.P. light Easterly winds and fine weather. Starting to sent down spanker  
Lat 35 35 8

Sat Oct 19<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with moderate Easterly winds and fine weather finished repairing and sent the spanker M.P. light N.E. and fine weather L.P. wind hauled to N.W. and commenced to ouze on sent down G.Y. & G. yard and double reefed the Gopsails

Sunday Oct 20<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong Gales from N.W. and threatening weather at 4 P.M. took in all except storm; sails and lay to the westward at 6 P.M. commenced to rain sent down M. Royal yard saw one sail to leeward M.P. and L.P. blowing heavily from W.N.W. Ship under storm sails all day we were running at midnight was ship to the northward  
Lat 35 40 8



Islander John C Hamilton Master

Monday Oct 21<sup>st</sup> 1872

Commences with with  
N.W. Gale won ship to S.W. at 5 P.M.  
more moderate set close reefed Gopsails  
M.P. very heavy squalls from the west  
took in Gopsails. L.P. more moderate  
set Gopsails

Lat 35.38<sup>s</sup>

Long 116.18<sup>E</sup>

Tuesday Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>

Commences with strong  
to N.W. Gale and improving at  
4 P.M. out close reef and set Gopsail  
saw land bearing N.E. M.P. and L.P.  
more moderate, Rove new M Gopsail  
traces.

Lat 35.37<sup>s</sup>

Long 116.15<sup>E</sup>

Wednesday Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>

Commences with  
moderate W.N.W. winds and squally  
spoke Bark Vigilant - M.P. Strong gale  
put the ship's head towards King George  
Sound. L.P. wind and weather much  
the same. At midday let go the  
anchor in the outer harbor of day  
fresh sail got dinner

Thursday Oct 24<sup>th</sup>

Commences with  
moderate S.W. winds and good  
weather. Capt went on shore  
at sunset came on board L.P. light  
easterly winds and fine weather. Made anchor  
put out a Bobsay

Off Point Possession



# Remarks on board Bark

Friday Oct 25<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commences with light Easterly winds and fine weather Capt and family went on shore, took on board one boat load of wood. At 11 AM took our anchor and proceeded to sea

Sat Oct 26<sup>th</sup>

Commences with strong Easterly winds and good weather at 2 PM were well out steering to unbent chains stowed anchors made all snug. MP much the same. LP wind hauled hauled to SW saw three sail also saw the land in the vicinity of White Top Rocks

Sunday Oct 27<sup>th</sup>

Commences with moderate SW winds and fine weather one sail in sight. MP wind from the N and squally. At daylight wind hauled to SW and had some very heavy squalls, took in topsails and split 4<sup>th</sup> stay at midday more moderate.

Monday Oct 28<sup>th</sup>

Commences with a gale from SW. At 1 PM wind to WNW and moderated some set close reefed topsails. MP wind same weather improving. LP made all sail and headed to NW sent down the foresail for repairs. Lat 35° 21' S Long 115° 26' E



Island John C Hamblen Master

Tuesday Oct 29<sup>th</sup> / 1872

Commences with fine weather and light S.W. winds fresh upairing and beat the Foresail, two sail in sight M.P. calm L.P. light S.E. wind and fine weather

Wednesday Oct 30<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light S.E. winds and fine weather, spoke Bark Mermaid M.P. same L.P. moderate S.W. winds and fine weather

Thursday Oct 31<sup>st</sup>

Commenced with a moderate breeze from S.W. and fine weather three sail in sight. M.P. light southerly winds L.P. same, spoke the bark Gazelle hailing a large whale Lat 35.31.3 Long 114.33.3

Friday Nov 1<sup>st</sup>

Commenced with moderate S.W. winds and fine weather sent the G.Y. Gallant yard and sail aloft M.P. and L.P. strong breeze from S.E. Ship cruising

Sat Nov 2<sup>nd</sup>

Commenced with strong E.S. & wind and good weather, saw Blackfish M.P. and L.P. much the same three sail in sight



# Remarks on board Bark

Sunday Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> 1872

Commenced with moderate westerly winds and good weather, spoke Bark Canton M.P. wind from S.E. L.P. wind same a very heavy swell from S.W. Lat 34, 41 S Long 114, 41 E

Monday Nov 4<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light S.E. winds and fine weather three sail in sight M.P. same L.P. very light southerly winds and good weather Lat 35, 28 S

Tuesday Nov 5<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with very light southerly air and calm, weather overcast and cloudy two sail in sight at sunset, saw two boats down from one of them M.P. squally L.P. a good whole sail breeze from S.S.E. one sail in sight but no whales Lat 35, 34 S

Wednesday Nov 6<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong S.E. winds and good weather saw five whales M.P. strong S.S.E. winds L.P. wind with thick hazy weather saw the bark Swallow had just finished cutting a whale also saw the Canton with along side weather so bad could not cut Lat 34, 58 S Long 114, 05 E



Islander John C Hamblin Master

Thursday Nov 7<sup>th</sup>

Commences with strong  
S E winds and fog saw the bark  
big bark M P winds same S P moderate  
S W winds with occasional squalls of light rain  
Saw Cape Serren bearing N about 30 miles dist

Friday Nov 8<sup>th</sup>

Commences with moderate  
S W winds with some rain Spoke the  
Yvinkling Star from Melbourne for  
Greenmarlto M P and S P much the same  
the land in sight 15 miles dist Lat 35.03 S

Sat Nov 9<sup>th</sup>

Strong S W winds and good  
weather saw some birds M P light S E  
winds Lat 6 A M saw Sperm Whales  
going to the E S E quick saw them two  
risings did not lower the boats, wind S E  
weather fine Lat 35.18 S

Long 116.02 E

Sunday Nov 10<sup>th</sup>

Commences with light S E  
winds and very fine weather Spoke the  
Bark Hercules M P and S P much  
the same



# Remarks on Board Bark

Monday Nov 11<sup>th</sup> / 1872

Commenced with light S E winds and best kind of weather one sail in sight. At 5<sup>1/2</sup> P<sup>m</sup> saw sperm whales. At 6<sup>1/2</sup> lowered four boats and were chase soon struck one and at 9 P<sup>m</sup> took him along side got supper and commenced to cut finally gave it up until daylight at 9 A<sup>m</sup> had him on board made sail and stood to westward where we saw a bark maneuvering followed her as fast as possible

Lat 36 30 S

Long 116 30 E

Tuesday Com

Commenced with moderate Easterly winds and good weather, are still following the bark At sunset came up with her saw the whale that she had been chasing all day but did not lower, Employed at boiling & M P and L P much the same

Wednesday Nov 13<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light Easterly winds and best of weather spoke the bark again with of Hobart Town M P calm L P light variable winds the sky looking threatening two sail in sight



Islander John C Hamilton Master

Thursday Nov 14<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commences with light variable winds and overcast. At 5 PM wind steady from the weather looking more favorable five sail in sight. M P increasing winds from the S finished boiling. L P blowing a gale from the S. Lat 35° 15' Long 115° 20'.

Friday Nov 15<sup>th</sup>

Commences with a gale from the S at 3 PM set close reefed topsails it being a little more moderate. M P more moderate L P strong winds. Employed at cooping and getting ready to stow oil.

Sat Nov 16<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong southerly winds and overcast squally weather, employed at cooping by M P and L P much the same employed at stowing oil. Land in sight.

Sunday Nov 17<sup>th</sup>

Commences with strong southerly winds and squally two ships to windward manuvering made all prudent sail and worked to windward. At 4 PM raised sperm whales going very quick to the westward chased with ship until sunset. M P and L P same kind of weather without the whales.



# Remarks on board bark

Monday Nov 18<sup>th</sup> / 1872

Commences with very strong southerly winds and squally sea very rugged three sail in sight  
M P Same L P a little more moderate

Tuesday Nov 19<sup>th</sup>

Commences with light variable winds at 1 P M wind hauled to S W weather fine M P and L P much the same

Lat 36.04 S

Wednesday Nov 20<sup>th</sup>

Commences with strong westerly winds and occasional squalls  
M P same L P fine weather

Lat 36 41 S

Thursday Nov 21<sup>st</sup>

Long 112 20 6

Commences with light westerly winds and fine weather M P calm with a very heavy S W swell at daylight light breeze sprang up from S E made all sail weather fine wind increasing

Lat 36.08 S

Friday Nov 22<sup>nd</sup>

Long 116 16 8

Commences with increasing S E winds and overcast weather, steering N W three sail in sight spoke back Lucille M P blowing a S E gale with thick rainy weather, ship lying under close reefed M Y topsail and Y H staysail



Islander John C Hamilton Master

Sat Nov 23<sup>rd</sup> 1872

Commences with a gale from S E with thick rainy weather at sunset rather increasing M P blowing heavy S P much the same

Sunday Nov 24<sup>th</sup>

Commences with a gale from S E with a bad sea M P and S P a little more moderate set the close H Topsail had to take it in again

Monday Nov 25<sup>th</sup>

Comes with S E gale with rain M P more moderate S P set close reefed Topsail, one sail in sight Lat 35.21 S  
Long 115.12 E

Tuesday Nov 26<sup>th</sup>

Commences with strong S E winds and good weather set Jit and turned one reef out of Topsails M P improving S P set courses and out reefed Lat 35.01 S  
Long 114.50 E

Wednesday Nov 27<sup>th</sup>

Commences with strong breezes from S E, saw three sail M P same S P more moderate carrying all sail Lat 35.36 S  
Long 113.30 E

Thursday Nov 28<sup>th</sup>

Commences with moderate S E winds and good weather M P wind hauled to E S E and so continues Lat 36.11 S  
Long 113.51 E



# Remarks on Board Bark

Friday Nov 29<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commences with moderate ESE winds and fine weather MP and LP wind increasing

Lat 35.14 S

Sat Nov 30<sup>th</sup>

Long 115.08 E

Commences with increasing Easterly gale, took Mainsail and F Y sail MP close reefed the Main LP blowing a strong gale some Blackfish came about the ship, Killed one with a lance and got him without lowering boat

Lat 36.04 S

Sunday Dec 1<sup>st</sup>

Long 115.02 E

Commences with a gale from ESE with a very bad sea the Islander has made such bad weather the voyage so far Had a sea to board us which filled the deck and stove bulwarks MP same. At 8 AM took in M Y sail <sup>lying</sup> blowing heavy At 10 wind hauled to ENE and came to moderate

Lat 35.25 S

Monday Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>

Long 114.50 E

Commences with a moderate gale ESE at 2 PM set close reefed M Y sail at 4 set double reefed Topsail at sunset fine weather with light ESE winds MP wind hauled to NW, LP fine weather wind NW

Lat 35.47 S

Long 114.48 E



Islander John C Hamilton Master

Tuesday Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> 1872.

Commenced with moderate N.W. winds and good weather spoke Bark Hercules M.P. fine weather. L.P. moderate southerly winds and good weather two sail in sight Lat 35 14 S Long 116.58 E

Wednesday Dec 4<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with moderate southerly winds and fine weather, four sail in sight, also the land M.P. and L.P. wind and weather much the same Lat 35 28 S

Thursday Dec 5<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong southerly winds and good weather M.P. and L.P. light S.W. winds and fine weather saw two sail Lat 35.35 S Long 116.43 E

Friday Dec 6<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light S.W. winds and good weather, land in sight M.P. and L.P. much the same spoke bark Swallow

Sat Dec 7<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with moderate S.W. winds and good weather both ships stood close to Bald Head and Capt. went to the town in one of our ships boats. At sunset took in sail for the night Bald Head two miles dist. M.P. winds very light from the S. L.P. much the same stood on for Bald Head



Remarks on board. Bark

Sunday Dec 8<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commenced with light S E winds and fine weather At 2 P M Ship lying off and on between Bald Head and Beaksia Island. At Sunset Capt came on board made all sail and stood out to sea M P weather same L P saw Bark Hercules chasing whales to the windward of us about 4 miles dist. The H boats soon struck and whales went to windward Made all sail in chase wind E and strong Bald Head about 15 miles dist

Monday Dec 9<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong Easterly winds, Carrying all sail. At 3 P M lowered 4 Boats and gave chase to the whales at 6 struck one and lost him by the bolin in the short warp not being properly taken, At dark boats came on board, Shortened sail got supper the light on Beaksia plainly visible M P wind and weather same L P squally, At 5 1/2 A M saw the Hercules to leeward with signal set ran down to her Capt Baker came on board much troubled. One of his boats had struck a whale the afternoon before and when last seen a little after dark had him sporting blood, wished we would assist him in trying to find her. A request which we were most willing to comply with cruised about the vicinity without seeing any sign of the boat or whale



Islander John C Hamblen Master

Tuesday Dec 10<sup>th</sup> 1812

Commences with strong  
Easterly winds with occasional squalls.  
cruised untill dark saw no sign of boat  
saw a bark cutting land about 15 miles  
dist at dark M P same L P more moderate.  
Steering to the westward

Wednesday Dec 11<sup>th</sup>

Commences with moderate  
Easterly winds and fine weather spoke  
Bark Hamblen, was boiling on 80 M  
Sp whale M P moderate NE winds L P  
Calm land about 20 miles dist.

Thursday Dec 12<sup>th</sup>

Commences with clear calm  
weather saw Grampuses and Porpoises M P  
and L P much the same, Land about 20 miles dist.

Friday Dec 13<sup>th</sup>

Wind breezed up from S W  
steered off E S E. At sunset spoke Bark  
Swallow cutting a whale, supposed to be the  
one the Hercules lost M P moderate S W winds  
L P at 4 AM raised Sperm Whales going to  
windward, lowered their boats without  
success. Bald Head bearing N by E to 20 miles  
Three ships in sight one of them whaling





# Remarks on board Bark

Sat Dec 14<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commences with moderate S.W. winds and good weather, spoke bark Mermaid the Swallow in company. At the S. have a Muller hook. At P. moderate S.W. winds and good weather. Bald Island bearing N. 20 miles.

Sunday Dec 15<sup>th</sup>

Commences with moderate S.W. wind and good weather saw two barks to windward chasing whales. Lowered three boats and pulled until sunset got near enough to see the boats. At P. and S.P. much the same saw one ship whaling to windward.

Monday Dec 16<sup>th</sup>

Commences with moderate S.W. winds and good weather at 5 P.M. raised sperm whales. Lowered three boats in company with bark Swallow. The S. struck the whale got boat stove then set ceters for making the Islander boat struck and killed the whale and took him along side the S. about 10 P.M. got supper & set watches and let him lay until daylight. At P. calm S.P. fine fine weather and increasing S.W. winds employed at cutting.



Islander John C Hamblin Master

Thursday Dec 17<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong  
S to winds and clear weather, finished  
cutting M P more moderate L P calm

Wednesday Dec 18<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light S.W.  
winds and fine weather, Employed at  
boiling Seallow in company Capt Ryder  
sent on board 36 bbls of Cask to put his part  
of Oil in M P and L P much the same  
Cape Mogg, bearing N. 25 miles

Thursday Dec 19<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with very  
light S.E. winds and fine weather  
Steering to by S, M P calm L P westerly  
winds

Friday Dec 20<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong winds  
from N.W. Seallow in sight M P strong  
Southerly winds and rugged sea, had two  
Boatstewards hurt by a cask of oil think one  
has a broken leg Besides a very bad cut in the  
leg L P finished boiling and cleaned ship  
The whale turned up 105 bbls, the last four  
hours of this very light S.E. winds and  
best of weather Mt Gardner and Bald  
P in sight and the Islander making  
for King George Sound as fast as possible



# Remarks on Board Bark

Sat Dec 21<sup>st</sup> 1872

Commenced with light S E winds and fine weather, Spoke the *Shallow* and gave her her part of the oil, At sunset got up the chains and sent them to the Anchor, Breaker light bearing N by E 12 miles, Our board men are comfortable, At 11 PM let go the anchor off Point Possession. At Daylight Pilot came off and took us <sup>to</sup> inside Anchorage

Sunday Dec 22<sup>nd</sup>

Commenced with strong S E winds and fine, Employed at getting ready to break out oil MP calm. And now commenced our Harbour Journal part of the crew on shore for a run Charles Cox and J. Smithers did not come off at sunset with the rest (L P employed at copying and breaking out oil ~~Stephen McKoy~~ one of the ~~Boatsmen~~ that was ~~hurt~~ has been sent on shore to day for Medical treatment)

Monday Dec 23<sup>rd</sup>

Strong S E winds and good weather employed at breaking out and copying oil Stephen McKoy one of the Boatsmen that was <sup>hurt</sup> has this day been taken on shore for Medical treatment The Police brought off and delivered J. Smithers and Charles Cox



Islander John C Hamblin Master

Tuesday Dec 24<sup>th</sup> 1872

This morning hauled along side the bark Stamford and commenced to put on our oil on board of her. In the afternoon strong from westward

Wednesday Dec 25<sup>th</sup>

Commences with strong S S E winds and good weather, are still lying along side the Stamford giving her oil as fast as she can take it

Thursday Dec 26<sup>th</sup>

Very fine weather and light variable winds at 4 1/2 PM finished putting oil on <sup>board</sup> the Stamford and hauled away from her hatched ducks &c

Friday Dec 26<sup>th</sup>

Employed at stowing grain tier and getting ready to take water

Sat Dec 27

Employed at getting off water and stowing the hold

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup>

Fine weather part of crew on shore

Monday 29<sup>th</sup>

Employed filling salt water and stowing hold Took on board 3 Hides Beef

King George Sound



Remarks on board Bark  
Sunday Dec 30<sup>th</sup> 1872

This last day of 1872  
have had strong S.W. winds and  
good weather have been employed  
at various jobs about Ship Stab  
watch ashore on liberty

Wednesday Jan 1<sup>st</sup> 1873

Very fine weather watch  
on liberty. Chas. Cox & Smiths Henry  
Murphy are missing suppose they  
have deserted

Thursday Jan 2

Fine weather and strong  
Easterly winds employed at painting  
and getting off recruits

Friday Jan 3<sup>rd</sup>

Very fine weather and  
moderate S.E. winds Henry Murphy  
was placed on board by the Police  
Ship ready for sea

Sat Jan 4<sup>th</sup>

At daylight took the anchor  
and came out into the outer harbor  
Strong S.S.E. wind Capt went on shore  
to finish up affairs. At sunset came on  
board, James Riley (Seaman) rendered  
himself on board

King George Sound



Islander John C Hamlin Master

Sunday Jan 5<sup>th</sup> 1873

Commences with strong  
S E winds and squally at daylight  
Police Boat came off and reported that  
Stephen McKay the man who was  
so badly injured Dec 20<sup>th</sup> was dead  
Capt A went on shore at 6 P M the  
man was buried in the Protestant  
Cemetery having a large funeral attendance  
John McLean (Barman) came on board

Monday Jan 6<sup>th</sup>

Commences and ends  
with S E Gale both anchors down  
Have been setting some rigging

Tuesday Jan 7<sup>th</sup>

Commences with a strong S E  
Gale and thick hazy weather Hands empl  
oyed at various jobs about ship

Wednesday Jan 8<sup>th</sup>

A continuation of S E  
Gales, Hands employed at various jobs about  
Ship

Thursday Jan 9<sup>th</sup>

Commences with  
Strong S E Gales At 1 A M took our  
Anchor and commenced to beat out  
under double reefs and Courses Gib and  
Spanker At Meridian Ship about  
half way between Breaksea and Bales  
Head Split the Mainseil so ends  
this day of 12 hours



# Remarks on board Bark

Friday Jan 10<sup>th</sup>

Commences with strong S E Gales at 1 P M took in Fore Topsail Girt and Spanker the Ship having a good offing Unbent and stowed Chain and Anchors at Sunset took M Y sail and Foresail set watches M P and L P wind and weather same  
Lat 35.30 S

Sat Jan 11<sup>th</sup>

Commences with strong S E Gales and hazy, Ship heaving to N E under storm sails M P and L P same

Sunday Jan 12<sup>th</sup>

Commences with strong S E Gales no sign of any thing different M P same L P more moderate but reefs are set M Y G sail Land in the vicinity of White Lopped Rocks about 20 miles distant

Monday Jan 13<sup>th</sup>

Commences with very light S E winds and thick hazy weather At 2 P M calm L P light Easterly winds and hazy

Tuesday Jan 14<sup>th</sup>

Commences with clear calm weather, bent a new Mainsail Three sail in sight M P and L P much the same

Long 114.20 E



Islander John C Hamilton Master

Wednesday Jan 15/1878

Commences with light S E winds and very fine weather Spoke Ship Young Phoenix and took Canton Land about 15 miles dist M P same S P wind S S E weather fine at midday White Topped Rocks bearing N 15 miles

Thursday Jan 16<sup>th</sup>

Commences with moderate S E winds and good weather, Steering W. M P same S P wind hauled to westward

~~Thurs~~ Friday Jan 17<sup>th</sup>

Commences with light westerly winds and fine weather at sunset Cape Bowen bearing NE 20 miles M P wind variable weather squally S P strong westerly winds with squalls, Steering E S E Land about 15 miles dist

Sat Jan 18<sup>th</sup>

Commences with strong westerly winds and squally, Steering E S E At 6 PM passed White Topped Rocks, About three miles dist M P and S P strong westerly gales, Course same at Meridian Bald Head bearing NE 20 miles dist



# Bemarks on Board Bark

Sunday Jan 19<sup>th</sup> 1873

Commences with strong bristly seas Ship heaving to SSW under Storm sails M P more moderate L P light SSW breeze and finest kind of weather At Midday Beld P 25 miles dist

Monday Jan 20<sup>th</sup>

Commences with light SSW winds and fine weather M P and L P light SSE winds and fine weather one ship and Beld P in sight

Tuesday Jan 21<sup>st</sup>

Commences with light SSE winds and fine weather M P wind hauled to the E and braced up L P strong ENE winds saw a Bark also saw Beld P

Wednesday Jan 22<sup>nd</sup>

Commences with strong ENE winds and fine weather saw Killers M P wind and weather same L P more moderate Steering S Lat 36.59 S

Thursday Jan 23<sup>rd</sup>

Commences with light NE winds and fine weather, Steering S M P winds light and variable L P strong SE winds and hazy



Islander John C Hamblin Master  
Friday Jan 24<sup>th</sup> 1872

Commences with  
strong S E winds and thick hazy  
weather Ship heading S S W  
M P and L P Strong Easterly winds  
and overcast weather

Sat Jan 25<sup>th</sup>

Commences with moderate  
Easterly winds and overcast weather Ship  
heading S S E M P and L P strong  
E N E winds overcast hazy weather

Lat 37,508

Sunday Jan 26<sup>th</sup>

Long 116,456

Commences with strong  
E N E Gales and overcast hazy weather  
M P and L P same

Lat 38,308

Monday Jan 27<sup>th</sup>

Commences with strong  
N E Gales and thick hazy weather Ship  
lying under storm sails M P more moderate  
L P calm

Lat 38,248

Long 116,456

Tuesday Jan 28<sup>th</sup>

Commences with light breezy  
winds and good weather. Steering N E saw  
Porpoises M P same L P strong S W winds  
and good weather. Steering N nothing  
to be seen

Lat 37,088

Long 117,348



# Remarks on board Bark

Wednesday Jan 29<sup>th</sup> 1873

Commenced with strong S.W. winds and good weather. Storing M, saw Porpoises M P and L P much the same saw the land in the vicinity of Bald Head also saw two sail

Thursday Jan 30<sup>th</sup>

Comes with strong S.W. winds which soon hauled to S.E., Storing L by M saw some Blackfish and Porpoises M P and L P much the same saw White Topped Rocks and one sail

Friday Jan 31<sup>st</sup>

Commenced with strong Gales from E.S.E. weather hazy. M P and L P a little more moderate saw White Topped Rocks

Sat. Feb 1<sup>st</sup>

Commenced with strong E.S.E. winds and hazy weather. At 4 P.M. saw Sperm Whales. lowered the boats and gave chase soon struck one at 8 had him along side and all snug got supper set watches & weather looking threatening. M P more moderate L P fine weather at daylight called all hands and commenced to cut at 9 A.M. finished cutting

Lat 35.128

Long 115.098



Islander John C Hamblen Master

Sunday Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> 1873

Commences with  
light S S E winds and fine weather  
employed at boiling M P calm L P light  
Southerly winds and fine weather

Lat 35.26 S

Monday Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>

Long 114.53 E

Commences with moderate  
S E winds and fine weather spoke Bark  
Vigilant M P same L P wind from  
S S W, two sail in sight, finished boiling

Tuesday Feb 4<sup>th</sup>

Commences with strong  
S W winds and fine weather, Employed  
at storing oil M P and L P calm  
with a very swell from S W one sail in sight

Wednesday Feb 5<sup>th</sup>

Commences with clear calm  
weather a heavy S W swell Capt Baker  
of the Hercules came on board for a short  
time M P same L P light S W winds and  
very fine weather. Storing W N W Hercules  
in company

Lat 35.15 S

Long 115.36 E

Thursday Feb 6<sup>th</sup>

Commences with light S W  
winds and best kind of weather storing W N W  
M P much the same L P moderate S E  
winds and good weather one sail in sight  
Sent down the Foresail for repairs

Lat 35.20 S

Long 114.51 E



# Remarks on board Bark

Friday Feb 7<sup>th</sup> 1873

Commences with increasing Easterly winds and good weather, two sail in sight M P and L P much the same  
Lat 35.09 S  
Long 114.39 E

Sat Feb 8<sup>th</sup>

Commences with strong Easterly winds which soon hauled to S S W finished repairing and cut the G Y sail M P and L P much the same

Sunday Feb 9<sup>th</sup>

Commences with moderate E S E winds and good weather M P and L P strong E S E winds and hazy Double reefed G Y sails  
Lat 34.40 S  
Long 112.34 E

Monday Feb 10<sup>th</sup>

Commences with strong S E Gales and hazy weather M P and L P same  
Lat 34.34 S  
Long 112.29 E

Tuesday Feb 11<sup>th</sup>

Commences with strong S E Gales with a heavy sea at sunset more moderate M P same L P moderate made all sail  
Lat 34.40 S  
Long 112.43 E



Islander John C Hamblin Master

Wednesday Feb 12 1878

Commenced with  
light southerly air and calms saw  
Grampuses M P calm L P light S W  
air weather fine Lat 34.28°

Thursday Feb 13<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light  
variable air and calms. Sent down  
the G Y sail and bent another saw  
plenty Porpoises M P calm L P light westerly  
winds and good weather saw a Merchant Ship  
Lat 34.43°

Friday Feb 14<sup>th</sup>

Long 118.42°

Commenced with increasing  
westerly winds and good weather spoke  
Bark Hercules cutting a 90 M whale M P  
strong S W gale, Close reef Main Yardsail  
L P wind and weather same saw some  
whales to windward supposed them to  
be Sperm Whales Lat 34.50°

Long 113.58°

Sat Feb 15<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong gales  
from S W with a bad sea saw a Ship  
lying under bare poles supposed to be the H.  
M P wind hauled to S W and moderated  
L P fine weather Lat 34.46°  
Saw Cape Lewin Long 114.25°



# Remarks on board Bark

Feb 16<sup>th</sup> 1873 Sunday

Commences with moderate southerly winds and good weather M P same L P wind S E Ship heading E N E Lat 34.36 S

Monday Feb 17<sup>th</sup>

Commences with strong S Easterly winds and overcast weather at 2 P M saw Cape Lewin. At Linnet Cape Lewin bearing E S E 12 Miles dist wore ship and took fore topsail. Saw the Rock called the Rambler M P and L P strong Easterly winds Lat 35.25 S

Tuesday Feb 18<sup>th</sup>

Commences with strong Easterly winds and good weather Ship heading S E M P wore ship wind wind E N E L P wind E S E Ship heading N E employed at repairing sails

Wednesday Feb 19<sup>th</sup>

Comes with strong E S E winds and good weather Ship heading N E employed at sail making M P same L P strong gale Saw Point Entrecaste



Islander John C Hamblin Master

Thursday Feb 20<sup>th</sup> 1873

Commences with strong Gale from ESE at Sunset Point Enticasts bearing N 12 Miles dist M P and L P same At Meridian White Gopper Rocks bearing ENE 10 Miles dist

Friday Feb 21<sup>st</sup>

Commences with strong Easterly Gale and a rugged sea Ship lying under Storm Sails M P and L P much the same

Lat 35.588

Long 115.578

Sat Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>

Commences with strong Easterly Gale, Ship heading SE M P same L P more moderate

Lat 35.588

Sunday Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>

Commences with strong Easterly Gale, Carrying all prudent sail trying to work to windward M P same L P more moderate At Meridian Cape Chatham 20 Miles dist bearing N by W

Monday Feb 24<sup>th</sup>

Commences with strong Easterly winds and overcast weather M P light breeze from ENE L P much the same



# Remarks on board Bark

Tuesday Feb 25/1873

Commences with very light NE winds and fine weather  
Sent down the M<sup>4</sup> sail for repairs  
M<sup>1</sup>P and L<sup>1</sup>P calm saw a sail, also  
saw Bald Is Mt Gardner Bald Head

Wednesday Feb 26<sup>th</sup>

Commences with light SE winds and fine weather employed at repairing sails repaired and bent M<sup>4</sup>G sail  
M<sup>1</sup>P and L<sup>1</sup>P light ENE winds and  
best of weather Bald Is in sight

Thursday Feb 27<sup>th</sup>

Commences with light ENE winds and fine weather M<sup>1</sup>P  
same L<sup>1</sup>P light NE air at Meridian Calm

Friday Feb 28<sup>th</sup>

Comes with clear calm weather  
at 2 PM breeze up from SW kept the  
ship away for Bald Head at 4 got up  
chains and bent them to the anchors  
and made ready for coming to anchor  
at 5 1/2 passed Bald Head at 6 1/2 came  
to anchor off Point Possession gave 45 fms  
chain furled sails & Coys<sup>t</sup> went on  
shore L<sup>1</sup>P strong SE winds employed at  
getting oil ready for shipment



Islander John C Hamblen Master

Sat March 1<sup>st</sup> 1873

Commenced with strong  
SE winds sent in a raft of oil to Bark  
Swallow L P much the same sent the  
balance of our on board of Swallow Got  
ready for sea

Sunday March 2<sup>nd</sup>

Weather more moderate  
Albert Damon 2<sup>nd</sup> Mate and Edward  
Leighton 3<sup>rd</sup> Mate were this day discharged  
by mutual consent Ship ready for sea  
also discharge John Cummings, At daylight  
light breeze from NW called all hands and  
hoisted short snapper sail at 6 Am six passengers  
came on board we took the anchor and  
proceeded to sea Stowed Chains and Anchors  
and made all snug Course ESE

Monday March 3<sup>rd</sup>

Commenced with increasing  
N to W winds and good weather, at sunset  
wind hauled to S and moderated ceased to  
whimper and and lightning in the NE, Course  
ESE M P fine weather and light variable winds  
L P much the same No Obs

Tuesday March 4<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light  
variable winds and fine weather, strong ESE  
M P increasing N to W winds L P strong  
N to W winds course ESE Lat 36.15  
Long 122.48



# Remarks on Board Bark

Wednesday March 5<sup>th</sup> 1873

Commences with strong westerly Gale with occasional squalls, Course ESE MP same LP wind SW and more moderate

Lat 37.145

Thursday March 6<sup>th</sup>

Long 126.568

Commences with strong winds from SW, Steering ESE at sunset wind hauled to the South MP very light southerly winds LP Calm saw a Seal

Lat 38.383

Friday March 7<sup>th</sup>

Long 128.50

Comes with clear calm weather MP same LP very light SW winds and fine Steering SE by E

Lat 37.558

Long 129.288

Sat March 8<sup>th</sup>

Commences with fine weather wind hauled to NW, Steering SE, Yock in and repaired, To B MP and LP moderate NW winds and good weather Steering SE by E

Lat 39.108

Sunday March 9<sup>th</sup>

Long 131.538

Commences with moderate NW winds and overcast, Steering SE by E MP wind same with some rain LP much the same

Lat 40.358

Long 134.50



Islander John C Hamblen Master

Monday March 10<sup>th</sup> 1873

Commenced with fresh  
westerly winds and overcast weather, Steering  
S by E M P more moderate wind from  
to NW L P fresh SW winds, Steering ESE  
Lat 42.00 S

Tuesday March 11<sup>th</sup>

Long 138.28 E

Commenced with fresh  
SW winds and squally weather, steering  
ESE M P same L P strong westerly winds

Lat 43.26 S

Wednesday March 12<sup>th</sup>

Long 142.30 E

Commenced with strong  
westerly winds and squally, Steering  
ESE, M P more moderate weather fine  
L P, at daylight saw the Cape of Gasman<sup>ria</sup>  
bearing E by N wind strong from westward  
and so continued until midnight when  
the new stone bore ENE 4 miles dist

Thursday March 13<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong  
westerly winds and cloudy weather  
Ship making best way possible for Hobart Town  
At Sunset rounded by Gasman's Head  
got up chains and bent them to the anchors  
wind light from NW M P and L P very  
light NW winds. Making the best way  
possible toward Hobart Town At 2 1/2 PM  
to anchor off the port furled sails &  
washed ship so ends this day of 36 hours



# Remarks on Board

Friday March 14<sup>th</sup> 1878

Commenced  
with fine weather Hauled the  
along side the wharf made all fast  
and commenced to break out ship  
and continued through the day

Sat March 15<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with fine weather  
Employed at various jobs about ship

Sunday March 16<sup>th</sup>

Best of weather honers  
on shore for a run about

Monday March 17<sup>th</sup>

Discharged most of  
crew and let them go ashore

Tuesday March 18<sup>th</sup>

Nothing going on there  
being no men to work

Wednesday March 19<sup>th</sup>

Men all discharged  
nothing doing on board

Thursday March 20<sup>th</sup>

Carpenters at work

Friday March 21<sup>st</sup>

Carpenters still at work



Back Island of C Hamilton Mas

Sat March 22<sup>nd</sup> 1873

Strong westerly gale  
Carpenters at work

Sunday March 23<sup>th</sup>  
Nothing doing

Monday March 24<sup>th</sup>  
Carpenters at work  
also some hands employed getting  
Ship ready for stowing in the hold

Tuesday March 25<sup>th</sup>  
Carpenters and  
Stewards at work

Wednesday March 26<sup>th</sup>  
The same as  
previous day

Thursday March 27<sup>th</sup>  
Employed at various  
jobs about ship

Friday March 28<sup>th</sup>  
Sent up new Fore and Main yards

Sat 29<sup>th</sup>

Carpenters finished their work on board  
Stewards still busy stowing the hold



Sunday March 30<sup>th</sup> 1878

Nothing going on  
this day hands away and quiet  
reigns

Monday March 31<sup>st</sup>

This day Ship and  
inventory has been sold and transferred  
to other parties and so I make this my  
last entry supposing that I have nothing  
farther to do with the ship on this present  
voyage



